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Hall gets nod for superintendent

TRENTON—Commissioner of Education Leo Klagholz has informed the Newark Advisory Board of Education that he intends to recommend the permanent appointment of Acting State District Superintendent Dr. Beverly Hall to the State Board of Education. Klagholz recommended a contract extension through June 1999 to the State Board at its regular monthly meeting on November 1. The Board will meet on the recommendation at its meeting on December 6.

"In her nearly four months as the Acting Superintendent, Beverly Hall has done an excellent job," said Klagholz. "Dr. Hall has shown that she has the knowledge, drive, creativity, experience and caring to provide the children of Newark with a quality education."

When Newark became a State-operated district on July 5, I did not feel comfortable recommending a permanent superintendent at that point, as had been done in Jersey City and Paterson. I did not want to appoint someone as permanent superintendent unless that person was known to the citizens of Newark.

Now, the people of Newark will not have to ask 'Who is Beverly Hall, and what kind of job can she do?'

"I believe that the Newark community has now had a chance to see her perform and I am convinced that the citizens of Newark are impressed with Dr. Hall's extraordinary beginning as I am," explained Klagholz. "I am further convinced that were I to begin a search for a permanent superintendent, I would not find a candidate who is clearly superior to Dr. Hall. In her short time in Newark, Dr. Hall has given the parents of that community hope for the future of their children. There has never been as much hope as there has existed for more than a generation."

Mayors unite to support Urban Enterprise Zones

EAST ORANGE—Mayor Cardell Cooper and four mayors representing cities throughout New Jersey met on Wednesday, Nov. 1 to discuss strategies to ensure passage of legislation designating additional municipalities as Urban Enterprise Zones (UEZ).

Senate Bill #1842 and corresponding Assembly Bill #2606 call for UEZ designation for seven more municipalities that are sandwiched between or contiguous with existing urban enterprise zones.

Senator Richard Codey, Assemblyman LeRoy J. Jones, Jr. and Assemblywoman Nia Gill were among the elected officials in attendance.

The announcement is the second this year affected cities have taken together to publicly announce support of UEZ legislation. Mayors from Pemberton, Irvington, West New York and Guttenberg participated in the meeting.

"We are pleased to join my fellow mayors in this unified effort to publicly encourage our legislators in Trenton to support passage of this crucial legislation," said Mayor Cooper. "Our towns suffer economically when we lose

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IS THE REPUBLICAN TENT BIG ENOUGH FOR POWELL?

by Peter C. Woolfolk



Gen. Colin Powell

With the release of his book *My American Journey*, retired Gen. Colin Powell is gaining exceptional media exposure as he does interviews with all the major broadcast networks and national print publications. Polls indicate he is tied with the Republican front-runner Sen. Bob Dole (R-KS.) when Powell appeared at a local book

store for one of his promotional book signings, people waited in a line extending nearly half a mile. The hysteria surrounding Powell and speculation on whether he will mount a run for president is still steam ahead.

The retired general has indicated, if he were to accept the challenge, that he would not run under the Democratic Party banner. Running as an independent is also out. He would launch any potential bid only as a Republican.

Powell asserts he believes the Republican Party has a wide enough tent to encompass a wide range of political views including his.

The late Lee Atwater, former chairman of the Republican National Committee, put forth the early 'big tent' philosophy. Atwater wanted to make serious efforts to encourage more African Americans to consider joining the Republican Party.

Times have changed. Atwater's tolerant view has been eclipsed by the hard-charging Christian Coalition. To appreciate the Coalition's dominant position in the Republican Party today, just witness the pilgrimage of the leading Republican presidential candidates to supplicate be-

fore the group for its approval. Republicans, now in control of Congress for the first time in 40 years, credit the Coalition for their victory.

Should Colin Powell decide to cast his lot with the Republican contenders for the Presidential trophy, how will he co-exist with the Coalition, considering its position on election directly opposes his?

Powell favors a woman's right to choose. The abortion issue caused tremors for the Republicans during the last election cycle.

The Christian Coalition has positioned itself in the Republican party to have a major impact in presidential primaries. If Powell does run, can this dichotomy be resolved? Will Powell temper his abortion views? Will the Christian Coalition have open arms for a man expressing support for the law of the land, a position that most women also support?

Should the Coalition be inflexible on the abortion issue, would Powell still have a realistic chance to succeed in the primaries without its support? To remain a man of convictions and not bend should the Coalition begin an assault on his position.

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Newark Central Ward celebrates



Newark Housing Authority director Harold Lucas (front row, 2nd from r) is flanked by Voices of Hope, the Housing Authority choir.

by Kaylin Dines

NEWARK—Nearing the scene of the indoor street fair the noise level rose, a smiling clown stood on stilts forming balloon figures for their children, and the vendors displayed their array of products during the recent Central Ward celebration of growth and progress.

According to Newark Councilman George Branch, a 11-year surge in progress was a cause for celebration. The City of Newark, the University of Medicine & Dentistry of New Jersey (UMDNJ), Essex County College, New Jersey Institute for Technology, Rutgers University, Newark Housing Authority, Newark Music-

um, Newark Library, and the Newark Board of Education all joined in sponsoring the event because "they have made a tremendous impact to develop this ward," said Branch.

"They (event sponsors) have provided job opportunities here in this city for me. We know we have a long way to go but, at least we are making strides in the Central Ward, we are just happy today that we can showcase the ward for those who have made a contribution and those that live here," said Branch.

An estimated 150 to 200 people were present to enjoy a variety of musical and artistic talents that were showcased throughout the day. Musical entertainment was provided by

The Arts High School Male Choral Ensemble and the Newark Choral Auditory Voice of Hope Choir.

Approximately 16 students were winners of the "Newark Central Ward Rebirth Poster Contest." Award recipients, ranging from elementary school children to high school seniors, will receive \$100 for first place, \$75 for second place and \$50 for third place. The grand prize winner will receive \$200.

Newark Mayor Sharpe James was also in attendance to celebrate with the citizens of the Central Ward. He saluted Councilman Branch and his "idea to celebrate the good of the Central Ward."

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AT&T commits \$150 Mil to education

BASKING RIDGE—AT&T's recent announcement of a \$150 million nationwide commitment to education will give teachers and students in New Jersey a "license to drive" along the Information Superhighway by the year 2000.

AT&T Learning Network, the single largest commitment AT&T has made to education, affecting some 110,000 public and private elementary and secondary schools nationwide. The program will be available over the next five years and will be expanded to include libraries next year. New Jersey has approximately 1400 schools that qualify for the program.

"To do the job right, you need the right tools, and you need to know how to use them," said Bob Nersesian, community relations director for AT&T in New Jersey.

This program will expand how teachers and students communicate and share information. It will also

make accessing information at the Library of Congress as easy as opening a textbook in the classroom," Nersesian added.

Under the program, AT&T will provide free dial-up connections to the Internet, browser software and 100 hours of free usage and network-based voice-messaging mailbox service for three months. Additionally, AT&T will choose 100 schools to receive free on-campus wireless service for two years, including an in-building wireless system and cellular phones for educators.

"There's no doubt technology can enhance education, but only if it's in the hands of well-prepared teachers and part of a broader effort to improve the scholastic achievement of children," Nersesian said. "In New Jersey, we have several projects that go beyond just delivering technology."

They directly impact the real chal-

lenge of making technology simple, easy to use and relevant to learning."

In order to meet and exceed the goals of the AT&T Learning Network, the company said it would expand some local mentoring programs. For example, the AT&T Information Superhighway Academy, a joint initiative with the New Jersey State Department of Education's Urban Technology Alliance, could extend the hands-on experience and comprehensive training it currently offers 10 special needs districts to others in the state.

Included as part of the commitment is a donation of \$50 million from the AT&T Foundation. Over the next five years, the AT&T Foundation will fund programs to support the effective and innovative use of technology in teaching and learning. For New Jersey, this funding could supplement rewards given as part of

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MMM COALITION FOCUSES ON SCHOOLS

NEWARK—In keeping with the spirit of the Million Man March on Washington, the New Jersey Million Man March Coalition (NJMMMC) is calling for a Million March On Schools to Save Children.

The coalition is designating the week of December 11 to 17 as "Save Our Children Week," to help New Jersey's students and schools.

New Jersey residents, especially parents, are being urged to go into neighborhood schools and make their presence felt in as many positive and creative ways as possible.

As part of the campaign to save black youth, Minister Khadir Muhammad, of Muhammad's Mosque #25 in Newark has already started his volunteering project. On a weekly basis the minister has a speaking engagement with the inmates of the Essex County Youth House in Newark.

Muhammad said his message to the youth is not to serve time, but to have time serve them. "As I visit other institutions I will encourage the inmates to take the negative situation that caused their incarceration and turn it into a positive one by making the prison into an institution of learning," Muhammad stated.

Fathers, are encouraged to visit their children's schools and inquire about how they can aid in their academic progress. However, this should not be done just for one week, it should be continued, indefinitely.

Men who don't have children are asked to visit volunteer their services at their former schools or work in their neighborhood. The NJMMMC state committee is calling upon local organizing committees to work together with the PTAs, school administrators and teachers to help the initiative.

Individuals who can assist with the program should make arrangements for convenient time slots, dur-

ing the day or in the evening.

School administrators and teachers are urged to invite people in, not only to assist in the classroom and with school activities but to speak to the students about their role in society, the importance of education, preparing for the real world, community issues, current events, and other relevant topics.

According to officials, the coalition sees this week as an opportunity for people in the community to increase both discussion and action on improving schools and other educational issues.

Also during the month of November the NJMMMC is sponsoring several activities and hopes the public will attend.

On Saturday, Nov. 11 at St. Matthew A.M.E. Church located at 336 Oakwood Avenue, Orange, the NJMMMC will meet with representatives of various black organizations at 1 p.m. for a discussion on how to continue the momentum of the Million Man March and increase communication and cooperation among various groups.

On Tuesday, November 21 the NJMMMC will hold its statewide meeting at St. Matthew at 6 p.m. Steps will be taken to formalize the post-march NJMMMC organizational structure and dates will be announced for important events in support of The Million Man March (WISOMM). Tickets are \$10.00 and proceeds will support the activities of WISOMM and NJMMMC. For additional information on the activities please call 1-800-627-2419.

Thursday, November 23 at 6 p.m. a fund-raiser will be held at the Terrace Ballroom in Newark. The event is being sponsored by Women in Support of The Million Man March (WISOMM). Tickets are \$10.00 and proceeds will support the activities of WISOMM and NJMMMC. For additional information on the activities please call 1-800-627-2419.

Plainfield residents turn out to discuss future

PLAINFIELD—Plainfield residents came out en masse to an open forum entitled "From Dream to Reality" on Wednesday, November 1 to voice their suggestions and plans for the future of their community.

Lloyd Oxford, president of the Local United Front of New Jersey said that the meeting was an opportunity to rejoice over the success of the Million Man March. "In New Jersey, we had 350 buses with 20,000 men representing us in Washington," he stated. He also mentioned that the state organizing committees of the Million Man March are currently in the planning stages and have presented a proposal for future actions among organizations throughout the state.

The proposal for future action included:

- Maintain NJMMMC structure of state organizing committee, local organizing committees, and Women in Support of the Million Man March already in place;

- Retain names of New Jersey Million Man March coalition;

- Maintain on-going contact with Million Man March national leadership and obtain information regarding future directions;

- Create a database of all New Jersey Million Man March participants;

- Expand state organizing committees to include local organizing committees, and all segments of the African-American community are represented;

- Improve communication between state and local organizing committees;

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PEOPLE

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8
HACKENSACK—Financing Education For Your Child or Yourself? Workshop at Bergen County Technical Schools at 6:30 p.m. For more info call 201-343-6000, ext. 3345.

EAST ORANGE—Fighting with your boyfriend? Sysias 4 Sysias program at East Orange High School at 4:15 p.m. For more info call 201-673-2193.

WAYNE—Issues and Ideas Faculty Lecture Series: William Patterson College Student Center. Admission \$5. For more info call 201-595-2436.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9
NEWARK—Black women Writers Series: An evening with Susan L. Taylor, In the Spirit & Lessons in Living. For more info call 643-7169.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11
MORRISTOWN—Vacation Auction at the Headquarters Plaza Hotel at 8 p.m. For more info call 201-539-9580, x.133.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11
NEWARK—"Daughter of the Stars, Mother Earth/Father Sky and Galaxies" Planetarium shows at the Newark Museum. For more info call 201-596-6550.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12
PLAINFIELD—Lions Club of Plainfield Annual Pancake Breakfast at 8 a.m. at St. Mary's School. For more info call 908-561-2969.

ON GOING
HOBOKEN—Round-trip transportation to Atlantic City. For more info call 1-800-399-5050.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13
BELLE MEADE—Bright Future for

Kids' Counseling for kids with alcohol and drug family members. To register call 908-281-1591.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14
PLAINFIELD—"Putting The Fun Into Fund Raising" at the Community Education Center from 6:30 - 9:30 p.m. For more info call 908-756-500, ext. 2366.

HACKENSACK—Child Support Paternity and Custody program at Bergen County Technical Schools at 6:30 p.m. For more info call 201-345-6000, x.3345.

WESTFIELD—Workshop for Basic Carpentry at the Westfield Administration Building 7-9 p.m. For more info call 908-654-9854.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17
LONG BRANCH—"From Tenant to Home Owner" seminar at the Long Branch Housing Authority at 6 p.m. For more info call 908-222-3677.

LONG BRANCH—Art Auction at Oceano 20 Restaurant at 7 p.m. For more info call 908-946-2233.

JERSEY CITY—3rd Annual mini conference on "New Jersey Higher Education Opportunities for Students with Learning Disabilities/Differences" For more info call 201-300-3521.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3
HOBOKEN—Holiday Crafts Fair at City Hall from 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. For more info call 201-420-2207.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 4
EDISON—Coping with Loss During the Holiday Season forum offered by JFK's Haven Hospice Program. For more info call 908-321-7355.

Paul Robeson center awarded Humanities grant

NEW BRUNSWICK—Rutgers University's Paul Robeson Cultural Center has received a \$45,000 planning grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities to lay the groundwork for a major exhibit that will explore the life of the extraordinary Rutgers graduate for whom the center is named, as well as related issues of African-American heroism, identity and culture.

"Paul Robeson: Icon or Hero?" to be unveiled in 1998 at the Jane Voorhees Zimmerli Art Museum at Rutgers, will show rare photographs and memorabilia from Robeson's life. In addition to the turbulent times in which Robeson lived, the exhibit will explore the conflicts between "objective" academic studies of African-Americans and the community's need for heroes.

Plans call for the exhibit to kick off a university-wide celebration of the centennial of Robeson's birth. Following the display at Rutgers, the exhibit will travel to several major U.S. cities as well as Europe and South Africa.

Robeson's life (1898-1976) was marked by artistic and intellectual brilliance as well as fierce controversy. He was elected to Phi Beta Kappa,

was valedictorian of the Class of 1919 at Rutgers College, and graduated from Columbia University Law School. He was an outstanding student athlete, an internationally famous actor and singer, and a master of more than a dozen languages. Robeson's outspoken denunciation of racism and his defense of communism brought the wrath of the American government following World War II. He was interrogated by the House Committee on Un-American Activities and hounded by the FBI.

His passport was confiscated in 1950, and although the document was ultimately returned, Robeson's health and career suffered. Promoters canceled his concerts and stores refused to carry his albums.

In the years since his death, Robeson has been accorded numerous honors. He was named to the Rutgers Hall of Fame in 1988 and the National Football Foundation and College Hall of Fame in August. Opened in 1972, the Paul Robeson Cultural Center offers a range of social and cultural programs on the university's New Brunswick and Piscataway campuses. It is one of several Rutgers facilities named in Robeson's honor.

Planned Parenthood honors 'people who make a difference'



Pictured are recipients Nina Mitchell Wells, (l) Ted Wells, (2nd from l) accompanied by M. Powell and D. Tyon of the Planned Parenthood Of Metropolitan New Jersey.

WEST ORANGE—More than two hundred guests and supporters of Planned Parenthood of Metropolitan New Jersey (PPMJ) attended the Family Life Excellence Awards Dinner held at The Manor in West Orange on October 19.

Ted V. Wells, Jr., Esq., a Partner with Lowenstein, Sandler, Kohl, Fisher and Boylan and Nina Mitchell Wells, Esq. Vice President, Senior Attorney, The CIT Group, Inc., the guests of honor, received the Family Life

Excellence Award. Five honorees were recipients of the PPMNJ "People Who Make a Difference" award. The gala fund raising event, one of the most successful in the agency's history, raised more than \$65,000. The proceeds will benefit the PPMNJ Family Life Institute, a public health education and resource center which provides young people and their families with current and reliable information on issues of family life and human sexuality.

Black achievers to hold awards banquet

NEWARK—The New Jersey Black Achievers program, sponsored by the YMCA of Northern and Central New Jersey will hold its 16th anniversary banquet on Thursday, November 9, at 6 p.m. at the Meadowlands Hilton Hotel in Secaucus. The Black Achievers program encourages local businesses and cor-

porations to identify successful minority executives and entrepreneurs to serve as mentors to junior and senior high school students. This year's entrepreneur of the Year award will go to advertising executive Guy McCombs president of Third Power Advertising. For more information on the banquet please call 201-596-6811.

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National News

at a glance

MORE NUMBERS ON THE MILLION MAN MARCH

According to a survey of 1,047 randomly selected men at the march, nearly four in five of the men who went said they did so to show support for black families, black communities, or black unity. Three in four of the men had attended college, graduated from college, or earned post-graduate degrees. Seventy percent had incomes above \$30,000. Nearly 20 percent said they had incomes in excess of \$75,000. If all survey data is correct, the men who attended the Million Man March (MMM) were more educated and affluent than the average African-American man. The million who went to Washington represented more than 10 of all black males over age 15.

—WASHINGTON, DC

THIRD WORLD COUNTRIES DEMAND REDESIGN OF SECURITY COUNCIL

When leaders of more than 140 countries gathered in New York to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the United Nations (U.N.), those representing Third World countries called for the overhauling of the Security Council to make it more representative of the realities of today's world. The United States and the U.N.'s other big power members want to give Germany and Japan, two of the world's richest nations, permanent council membership to induce them to take a bigger hand in the world body's financial situation.

But developing countries, which make up a majority of the 185 U.N. members, are unwilling to agree unless they get council representation. Meanwhile, South African President Nelson Mandela told the U.N. it needed to "reassess its role, redefine its profile and reshape its structures." The 15-member Security Council is currently made up of the United States, Russia, Britain, France, China and 10 rotating members, but has been under pressure to have regional representatives from Latin America, Asia and Africa as permanent members. The largest and most influential countries in each region being considered are: Brazil, India and Nigeria.

—NEW YORK, NY

SUPREME COURT TO REVIEW BIASES IN COURT SENTENCING

The U.S. Supreme Court has agreed to review a complicated procedural case in the wake of a heated national debate over race and crack, a superior point derivative of cocaine and NAACP and other civil and human rights groups, in concert with the U.S. Sentencing Commission, have demanded that the penalties for crack and powder cocaine be equalized. Powdered cocaine penalties are substantially less than ones for crack. It is a disparity civil rights activists say which unfairly targets poor blacks.

The commission, at the direction of Congress conducted an unbiased survey of the sentencing issue. It determined that the profound disparities in sentencing on crack and powder cocaine convictions, which are 10 to one, were unfair, irrational and had a significant discriminatory impact on African Americans. President Clinton and Congress rejected the commission's and NAACP's recommendations on the issue. The Supreme Court will decide a case arising from allegations the U.S. Attorney in Los Angeles targeted blacks for prosecution under the tough federal crack cocaine laws.

—WASHINGTON, DC

NAACP STILL STALLED ON APPOINTING AN EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Its staffing ability is any indication of the beleaguered NAACP's future, it is in big trouble. At its 121st meeting, the NAACP's search committee said that it will take until at least Dec. 1 before a replacement is named for ousted executive director Benjamin Chavis. Lenny Spriggs, co-chairman of the seven-member search committee, said interest in the position is high and the committee has not had time to interview all the candidates. The NAACP search committee has received over 200 resumes, but claims that it has narrowed the number currently in the field of consideration.

WASHINGTON, DC—The Black Church Leadership Conference convened by the Congress of National Black Churches, closed recently after three days of concentrated meetings on strategies for black survival in the United States.

On the heels of the Million Man March in the nation's capital, 300 of America's key black religious leaders from eight denominations gathered

in Washington to devise an action plan for the nation's 68,000 congregations of the African-American free church. The conference, the result of more than a year in planning, issued the following action items, calling on every Black Church to join in resonating wholeness in black life across the U.S.

1. Implement year-round voter education campaign that includes regi-

tration and "Get-Out-The-Vote" mobilization.

2. Mount an accountability campaign for all elected officials—local, state and federal—on a quarterly basis.

3. Establish an economic development initiative utilizing the focal church as the lead institution for empowerment.

4. Provide affirmation for all black

youth via rites of passage programs and similar activities that promote a sense of heritage and self-esteem.

5. Implement programs in health promotion and disease prevention throughout communities of African descent, with a special emphasis on embracing persons infected or affected by HIV and AIDS.

6. Adopt at least one school in the community where the church is locat-

ed, focusing on educational enhancement and the reduction of violence.

7. Make a firm commitment to provide financial support on regular basis to church-related historically black colleges and seminaries to ensure preparation for a new generation of leaders.

8. Provide in every church tutorial services for youth and literacy training as needed.

9. Monitor all media with vigilance in order to diminish the proliferation of racial stereotypes and the increase of hate-talk radio.

10. Continue and expand our efforts to strengthen the black family and revitalize the extended family tradition.

The Congress of National Black Churches authorized and announced the establishment of a Public Policy Institute under the sponsorship of its national office to assist local congregations in implementing the Ten-Point Action Program.

The Conference is immediately launching a nationwide telephone campaign to insist that President Clinton veto the Welfare Legislation being shaped in the Senate and the House.

In response to President Clinton's Austin, TX speech on racial tensions, the Conference announced plans for a "Day of Reflection" and Resolution setting for the 1996 Martin Luther King, Jr. birthday celebration. The conferees voted unanimously to invite Clinton, all members of Congress and members of the nation's churches, synagogues, and mosques to join the African-American Church in this initiative.

McDonald's Jamaica launch fuels Caribbean growth



Patricia Isaacs-Green, McDonald's Jamaica dir.

MONTEGO BAY, JAMAICA—McDonald's has opened its first restaurant on the Caribbean island of Jamaica. McDonald's Jamaica, headed by Patricia Isaacs-Green, a 20-year company veteran and a native of Guyana, brings the total number of countries worldwide to 84 for McDonald's.

Isaacs-Green says the grand opening in the Jamaican town of Montego Bay reflects McDonald's continued commitment to growth in the Caribbean.

Prior to Jamaica, Isaacs-Green served as vice president for McDonald's Detroit Region where

she was responsible for more than 200 McDonald's restaurants.

"I am delighted to have the opportunity to come back home and to introduce McDonald's to the people of Jamaica," she said. "Jamaicans are looking for jobs, opportunities and quality dining at value prices and that's what we offer at McDonald's."

In the last five years, McDonald's restaurants in the region have more than tripled, with 508 restaurants now operating in the Caribbean and Latin America. McDonald's expansion has stimulated area economies and created jobs. Today in the region, the Golden Arches employs more than 25,000

people.

According to Jim Cantalupo, president and CEO of McDonald's International, McDonald's also supports other workforce segments such as construction and the company trades with minority vendors.

"The Caribbean and Latin America have a population of more than 430 million people and offers enormous opportunities," said Cantalupo. "We see our business in Jamaica playing an increasingly important role."

McDonald's Jamaica offers the traditional menu of Big Macs, french fries and soft drinks, as served around the world.

NFBWBO head travels to Europe with trade delegation

WASHINGTON, DC—Mary Walker, President of the National Federation of Black Women Business Owners (NFBWBO) traveled to the Netherlands and United Kingdom for four days, September 24 to 29 as one of the "Women in Trade" delegation headed by Alexis Herman, Special Assistant to the President and Director of the Office of Public Liaison in the White House.

The trip, a historic first to occur under the presidential administration, was convened to promote "Women in Trade" in the fields of aerospace, construction, computers, health care,

manufacturing human resources, telecommunications and computers. The delegation was received in both countries by ambassadors and heads of state. Walker and several members of the delegation received and accepted opportunities to do business abroad.

"Whereas, the U.S. provides more support for emerging businesses, this trade mission was significant because it allowed American business women to develop international links, build bridges and complete the trip with immediate sales," says Walker.

The Black Women Business Association, London, England will host

Walker as their keynote speaker at their April 1996 conference. NFBWBO, during its 4th Annual "Black Women of Courage Luncheon" will highlight the successes of the delegation received and accepted opportunities to do business abroad.

member delegation. The luncheon is to be held in Washington, DC, February 14, 1996. Information on NFBWBO can be obtained by calling 202-833-3450.

African briefs

AFRICA LAUNCHES EDUCATION YEAR

The Organization of African Unity (OAU) recently in Bamako officially launched the 1996 Education Year with an objective to raise greater awareness towards the continent's educational problems. Speaking during the launch, Malian president Alpha Oumar Konare called on African countries to undertake "concrete actions" in the sector instead of wasting time in seminars. "After the period of disillusion of the 1980s, our desire is to continually improve our education system," he said, adding the declaration of the year of education in Africa is aimed at fostering "great mobilization around educational problems."

—BAMAKO, MALI

U.N. LAUNCHES HUMANITARIAN FUND FOR LIBERIA

The United Nations, impressed by the progress made toward peace in Liberia, has launched an appeal to raise \$110 million for humanitarian assistance to the West African country. The appeal was launched recently by the Department of Humanitarian Affairs (DHA), citing concrete progress toward peace and improved access to various areas previously cut off from humanitarian aid. U.N. Emergency Relief Coordinator Peter Hansen said that the rapid implementation of humanitarian assistance programs was critical to both to meet the needs of affected populations and to support the peace process.

The coordinated inter-agency appeal, which covers the 11-month period from September 1995 to August 1996, reflects assistance by the World Food Program, U.N. Children's Fund, World Health Organization, the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees, the Food and Agriculture Organization and the DHA.

Five years of civil war in Liberia has resulted in 850,000 Liberian refugees scattered across West Africa, and inside Liberia. Some 1.3 million people, including internally displaced persons, need humanitarian assistance within the limited zone controlled by ECOMOG, said DHA officials. —NEW YORK

MAN GETS ONE YEAR JAIL FOR CALLING WIFE A WITCH

A man who accused his wife of being a cannibal was lucky to get away with a wholly suspended sentence under Zimbabwe's Witchcraft Suppression Act following a Supreme Court judgment. Edmore Dube accused his wife of witchcraft during an argument late one night. Dube claimed that his wife killed his sister Sibembele Dube. "You caused the death of my sister by bewitching her," he said.

That evidence was corroborated when Dube wrote to his brother-in-law stating that he did have evidence to prove that his wife had killed his sister. In his judgment, Supreme Court Judge Moyo noted that it is in society in which the belief in witchcraft lingers, the hurt of being called a witch is "very great, even if no one else is around," the judge noted.

"That person may be driven out of a village, assaulted, or even murdered. Even where in fact none of those things happen, the damage to reputation may be so great... that sentences of nine months to a year's imprisonment are habitually imposed," said Moyo.

—HARARE, ZIMBABWE

NIGERIAN NEWSPAPER BACK AFTER BAN

The privately-owned Lagos newspaper The Guardian recently returned to the newsstands in Nigeria. The newspaper was among three Lagos newspapers proscribed in the heat of a political crisis over the 1993 presidential election annulled by the military regime and its Lagos offices were sealed off by Gen. Sani Abacha's regime in August 1994. The ban on the paper was lifted last July. Two other privately-owned newspapers, The Concord Press and The Punch, proscribed along with The Guardian, were among those returned to the ban in a nationwide broadcast by Abacha to mark Nigeria's 35th independence anniversary.

In a front page editorial entitled "Our Story," the Guardian reported, "We will not fail to chart the right course that brings dignity to our land and emboldens her citizens." —LAGOS, NIGERIA

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EDITORIAL

A lesson about extremists

The World Mourns Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin, assassinated by an Israeli right wing extremist. A warrior, leader and peacemaker, he gave his life so that he could give his country a peace that he never experienced in his life time. His lesson in leadership was reflected in his courage to change and to grow.

Likewise, his death by right wing extremist should also be a lesson to us all. This extremist, using God's will as his reason, should remind us all of the danger of indulging in extremist of any kind. The majority's tolerance of such actions, history teaches us, gave rise to Hitler, the KKK, Apartheid, bombing of children and churches. The very vocal religious right, while using God as their shield for wanting to change America, has encouraged bombings and shootings at abortion clinics. They have condoned and encouraged hateful behavior, murder, and an extremism that is fueling similar fires around the world.

Rather than teaching God's laws, they accuse the have-nots for the ills of America; they want to blame affirmative action for America's problems, they want to blame big minority business owners who are creating jobs among people of color as the enemy, welfare to unwed mothers as the problem with family values; yet they are silent about the use of Willie Horton in campaign ads, they are silent about race baiting politicians. They are silent about hateful talk between President and Mrs. Clinton. They are silent about the Rodney King beatings.

Their silence and behavior helped fuel the stand off at Waco and gave rise to the Oklahoma bombings. Their silence and support gave rise to Newel Gingrich. Their silence gave rise to armed right wing extremists militia who are preparing to kill in the name of God. They are silent about the manufacturers of guns and drugs which have a super highway to urban America. Why is the Christian right, so silence about so much that is truly wrong while being so vocal on those areas that are leading this country into moral decay and racial turmoil. Why is the Christian right so absolutely silent about these realities. Are they doing God's work or are they the devil trying to war God's love. We join the world in mourning for Mr. Rabin and pray that America and the world will wake up to the growing sickness that is being spread by extremist everywhere.

ALONG THE COLOR LINE

Part two of a two part series on the Million Man March

Does Jackson embrace Farrakha's leadership?

by Dr. Manning Marable

Last Week Dr. Marable asked the most important question that has risen since the Million Man March. "What Next?" In this week's column the Dr. will explain the need for the march and shed light on some new questions.

What explains the mass outpouring of emotion and enthusiasm of nearly one million African-American men who came together in Washington, DC, last month? Part of their motivation is due to the recognition that an entire generation of black leaders, from the community level to national politics, has been eliminated, destroyed.

Beginning with the assassinations of Malcolm X and Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., the American government has aggressively attempted to isolate or imprison black leaders on the left. The Black Panther Party in the late-1960s, early 1970s, was destroyed by the FBI and local police. Hundreds of progressive black elected officials have been destroyed.

And imprisoned by law enforcement agencies. Jesse Jackson's Rainbow Coalition seemed breakthrough by blacks into mainstream electoral politics in 1988. Jackson received more than seven million popular votes for the presidency.

Jackson had advocated a progressive program, calling for basic reform within the American political system. His defeat and the decline of the Rainbow Coalition as a national organization left a deep vacuum in black politics. Farrakha is attempting to fill that void, and he is actually understood for effective black leadership.

The solidarity generated by the March may obscure the growing stratification of blacks by income and politics, where "racial unity" can be used to avoid criticism of African-American conservatives like Clarence Thomas. One example of this political and class division just beneath the surface within the African-American community is provided by the phenomenon of General Colin Powell, the former chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. In an October, 1995 USA Today/CNN/Gallup Poll, far more whites than blacks sup-

ported Powell for the presidency. In head-to-head competition against Clinton, Powell as the Republican candidate would win a majority of whites' votes, 54 percent to 37 percent. But African-Americans overwhelmingly endorsed Clinton over the black challenger, 68 percent to 25 percent. Among African-Americans, Powell's support is weakest among the most oppressed, those with low incomes, lacking a college education, and who live in the South. Powell's greatest support among blacks comes from those with college degrees, white incomes are \$30,000 and above, and those who believe "the O.J. Simpson verdict was wrong."

The black middle class, the chief beneficiaries of affirmative action, many minority economic successes, many of those who became managers, professionals and technicians, are searching for an acceptable political alternative to advance their own class interests. In this sense, Colin Powell and Louis Farrakha represent two "different" sides of the same political coin. Middle class Republicanism and conservative black nationalism have similar social and economic philosophies in many respects: self-help, less reliance on government programs, entrepreneurial capitalism, hostility to trade unionism and the left.

The grand unifier in the aftermath of the "Million Man March" is the political future of Jesse Jackson. For months, Jackson had refused to endorse the March, on the grounds that it lacked a strong public policy agenda, and to some extent, because it focused narrowly March organizers finally agreed to include the agenda. Jackson changed his mind.

Washington March sounded with much anything Farrakha represented. Jackson on blacks' interests alone. When public policy issues prominently on However, Jackson's speech at the greater clarity and vi-

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PINPOINT

by Connie Woodruff

Certainly in more than 40 years of politics, involvement I've seen any share of dual elections, but I'm willing to bet few will exceed the recent special election to fill the Newark council-At-Large seat vacated by Gay L. Chanevfield.

The final eight candidates vying for the position were not the most exciting, or exhilarating figures in Newark politics, but more of a warmed over concoction of political types who also ran in last year's mayor campaign and several who run for office and lose much predicted regularly.

Perhaps voter attention was focused on the O.J. Simpson case that was far more intriguing than whether former Newark school board member Bessie Walker would continue to be the front-runner until Election Day, or whether New Community's "It's our turn" Gay Chanevfield would catch up, or if by some miracle South Ward people's advocate Wilbur Komey would finally win an elected office he has yearned for over a long time.

There were even some voters secretly in support of a Great White Hope represented by North Ward businessman Frank Petalino and East Ward politician and Newark Housing Authority employee Jimmy Parillo, a

candidate allegedly under the protective wing of former Newark Mayor Kenneth Gibson.

The odd-ball out was Dr. Colleen Walton, a podiatrist who ran a losing race as candidate for mayor. Walton tried in vain to keep voters focused on issues rather than personalities as the weeks of the campaign wound down to a precious few.

The old boys network that African-American male politicians diligently maintain was almost solidly behind Bessie Walker, beginning with her political guru, Central Ward Councilman George Branch and Board of Ed. veteran leader, Charles Bell. By far she had the best organized campaign, was the most energetic in covering the entire city in search of support and votes and appeared to be the most serious and optimistic of victory.

Chanevfield had the solid support of the New Communities Organization and its affiliates, scattered throughout the Central and West Ward districts. For months her constant companion on the campaign trail was Councilwoman-At-Large Mildred Crump, but that was about as much help as Crump guaranteed her of governing body. Clearly her council colleagues were looking at other possibilities for the vacant seat.

and about General Powell. He has been "it" up as a most formidable candidate. A distinguished military career, one who rose from difficult circumstances in New York City to become a national and international leader, a respected citizen that the nation and its youth in particular can look up to. Every poll shows General Powell to be popular and to lead all candidates.

Yet, as General Powell prepares to announce his candidacy, there is an ominous wind in the air. A wind that will divide the East and open wider the political divide in this country. A wind that threatens to undermine and further erode the confidence of many people in the political process and moral fiber of this nation.

In 1980 Sen. Edward Kennedy of Massachusetts contemplated running against President Carter for the Democratic nomination. The political establishment and the media built up Kennedy to be invincible and unbeatable. But just after he announced his

THE PASTOR'S WORD

by Rev. Reginald T. Jackson & Raiford Wheeler

The nation is waiting anxiously to hear whether Gen. Colin Powell will decide to run for President of the United States. The retired general has promised a decision by Thanksgiving, even though there are reports that he will announce his decision sooner. For some time the contest has been among most people, including myself and my colleague, that General Powell will decide not to run. That he would keep speculation going while he waits for the end of the election. Now however, the speculation has changed and most believe that he will seek the nomination of the Republican party for the presidency.

The potential candidacy of General Powell will have a major impact on this country at a most precarious time in its history and will reveal some aspects of this nation's character which are not favorable or positive. Look at the hype built up around

FROM CAPITOL HILL

by Askie Muhammad

Even as 1.2 million mostly black men massed, marching on the National Mall between the U.S. Capitol and the Jefferson Memorial on Oct. 16, the hearts of another 10 million men, women and children who supported them stood still in anticipation that whole day.

True to its promise, the Million Man March was a watershed, dividing our measurement of time into "before and after Million Man March" historic periods. A new cadre of black historians and leaders replaced the antiquated, integrated head on the body

of black American discontent that day, speaking with a new voice through the pages of the black press and on the airwaves of black radio.

Meanwhile, everywhere else in the news media, hostile white and black "spin doctors" were trying to erode the solid support for the March, even after it had already become a tidal wave. Grudgingly, the same national TV news analysis programs (Nightline, McLaughlin Lehrer News Hour, The McLaughlin Group, This Week With David Brinkley, Meet the Press, Face the Nation, C-SPAN Washington Journal, CNN Crossfire, etc.) which systematically exclude any representative black on-air participation, talked about the March with black folks everywhere.

Even so-called "trash-TV" talk shows were running over black

Other than speculating, Gibson stood solidly behind Parillo. It was difficult to pinpoint who his and Petalino's key supporters were. Ditto for Wilbert Komey who counted heavily on a civic organization he had headed for several years.

The special election impacting directly on Newark may have been dull but certainly many questions raised in the minds of activists are interesting. For instance, as a long time political activist Ken Gibson had to think that given his past history, Jimmy Parillo had little chance of winning a city-wide campaign. He's a local East Ward Democratic district leader who shows little sign of advancing from that position no matter how long he stays or is involved in city politics.

Therefore, it is speculated Gibson may have chosen to champion Parillo's predicted loss to set himself (Gibson) up for a future return to active politics.

The rumor is that if the Essex County Democrats decide to change party chairman in 1996, Ken Gibson could be the choice to succeed Tom Gibson.

Another rampant rumor is that Gibson may be urged to challenge Republican County Executive Jim

Trefinger who has allegedly predicted he's a one-term executive because he has dared to do the right thing about trimming county government.

Newark West Ward Councilman and State Senator Ron Rice's nerves are probably upset by the gossip he may lose the endorsement of his party when he runs for re-election for his senate seat next year.

Among Democrats the word is the party hierarchy may support Irvington Mayor Sara Bost for State Senate and that could be a move to split the Newark faction of Democrats right down the middle.

A Ron Rice supporter described the ideas as "ridiculous," labeling Bost's tenure as Freeholder, Freeholder president, and Irvington council member and mayors "disasters." But she did admit Rice may have to make a decision about whether or not he should be planning to run for Newark mayor in two years.

In the meantime, both parties have worries about the future leadership. Republicans are concerned about the recurring health problems of their Essex County Chairman John Renna who was rushed back to the hospital following a dinner in his honor last week.

Is America ready for a black president?

and the media and the political establishment turned.

He was no longer invincible and unbeatable. All of a sudden Kennedy was not a good candidate. An incident in Chappaquiddick, where a young woman died in his car more than 10 years earlier was resurrected and covered. Newsweek Magazine had a copy with a large picture of Kennedy in stone and Jimmy Carter holding a chip. The headline read "Carter Chisels Away At Kennedy." News coverage of Kennedy was almost all negative. Carter defeats Kennedy handsly.

Already negative stories about Colin Powell are surfacing. Be it understood that criticism of Powell's positions on issues are legitimate and should be pursued. But Powell and the nation are preparing to see some aspects of this nation's character which is troubling.

First, we will find that the far right of the Republican Party is not tolerant of anyone who does not toe

their line on social issues, particularly abortion, gun control and affirmative action. The far right presently controls the Republican party and no candidate who does not toe their line can win. While polls presently show him leading all Republican candidates, it will be a different story after he announces and the far right attack dogs go after him.

Second, the media will become much more precarious and intensive in their search to find "something" on Powell. Anything minor, negative, or insignificant will be blown up. Of course the media does this with all candidates, so Powell should be treated the same. However, the media does not believe in role models and has to find something "wrong" or "at least," in order to discredit anyone.

How many lives of good people have been ruined by media scrutiny as a result of their desire for public

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Million Man March: the media's misunderstanding

folks with opinions about the March, not just with girlfriend or boyfriend problems.

Ordinarily, as Brother Malcolm X reminded us in the 1960s, white America only likes to deal with one black leader at a time. In the mainstream news media Carl Rowan (a man with enormous integrity behind his byline, and a distinguished record of high level public service, I might add) is the designated black leader. Chicago Tribune columnist Clarence Page is the designated "Carl Rowan-in-Waiting," and former Washington Post columnist Juan Williams is the designated "Clarence Page-in-Waiting."

Despite the fact that Washington, DC probably has more highly qualified black journalists in high level positions—including major newspa-

per Bureau Chiefs—than any other city in the nation—including New York and Chicago—the mainstream media's black "A List," consists of Carl Rowan.

The "B List" consists of Clarence Page and Juan Williams, period. And the prestigious talk shows hardly ever deviate from that list. In the rare instances when there is a sensitive subject with a "black angle," extra attention is paid to finding other blacks to appear.

That's what happened in the case of the Million Man March. In the week or so before Oct. 16, all manner of black "civil rights activists" were dug up all over the country. The only seemingly consistent quality among them was a willingness to spew trash

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Affirmative reaction: let's get it on

by Julian Robinson

Of much that has been written about affirmative action during the past year, three recent items stand out in my mind.

One is a nationally syndicated cartoon depicting a white man in an elevated chair snarling at the black man shining his shoes. "So how many qualified white guys were replaced by you niggers get this job?"

The other two involve separate announcements by national black groups of boycotts against the state of California because of Governor Pete Wilson's opposition to affirmative action. The most significant of such announcements was in late June of the National Urban League canceling its annual convention in Los Angeles next summer.

Said Labor President Hugh B. Price, "I think all organizations that believe deeply in inclusion should consider whether they should stage their conferences in California, because the governor has got to get a message through the tourism industry that inclusion is important." Price estimates that his group's 20,000 conventioners would have spent at least \$10 million in the state.

The second intended California boycott was effected in mid-August by the vote of the National Bar Association to cancel any conventions or meetings in the state. This oldest and largest organization of black lawyers in the United States represents a professional network of 17,000 lawyers, judges, law students and legal professionals.

The group was scheduled to hold its 72nd annual convention in San Diego in 1997, but voted recently to move the convention to another city outside the state. This year's conven-

tion delegates, meeting in Baltimore, said they will not conduct any business in California as long as Wilson remains governor.

Taken together, the three items provide ample evidence of the intensity of feeling in the country about Republicans' (and the Supreme Court's) declarations of legislative and judicial action against affirmative action, numerical goals and other minority-friendly social action programs. To the credit of the papers which published it, the cartoon very pointedly and effectively ridicules the alleged anger of white males over such programs.

And the decisions of the National Urban League and National Bar Association to boycott California would seem to offer a signal that sectional black leadership is ready to begin converting indignation into action.

Perhaps best summing up the simmering unhappiness and frustration

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Mayor's Youth Commission holds first meeting

NEWARK—Mayor Sharf James announced that the Newark Mayor's Youth Commission held its first meeting of the 1995-96 school year to discuss violence, crime, state takeover and graffiti.

James, who attended the meeting, said, "The dialogue was beneficial, and the young people proposed some really interesting and creative ideas. I learned some valuable things from them."

Calvin West, mayoral aide and liaison to the Youth Commission, agreed. "Sometimes, as adults, we miss the perspective to the problems of youth possess. That's why the Mayor's Youth Commission was created—to utilize this valuable insight."

The present youth board includes: Maria Ogando, Barringer High; Al Malik Williams, Malcolm X; Shabazz High (MKS); Maurice Tribble, West Side High; Lisa Barnes, Barringer High; Tamika Battle, East Side High; Anthony Benjamin, West Side High; Noelle Lawrence, Science High; Malik Raymond, Kean College; Wilf Fanfan, West Side High; Dennis Rosario, Science High; Kevin Jarido, Arts High; Kimberly Tolbert, University High; and Denard Cooper, MKS High.

In addition, Mayor James recently appointed three more students Cory Lester, James Bennett, Jr. and Khary Orr, all from Science High School, to the Youth Commission. All three students also attended the recent meeting.

The group will select their officers during their next scheduled meeting. For more information about the Youth Commission, contact Calvin West at 733-6400.

Dream up a IHOP float

GLENDALE, CA—In conjunction with its participation in the Pasadena Tournament of Roses Parade on New Year's Day, International House of Pancakes (IHOP) is sponsoring its fifth consecutive "Dream Up Our Float" contest to challenge kids to create an original float design to be used as IHOP's parade entry.

Based on the contest theme, The Best Day In My Life, six- to 12-year olds are asked to sketch their float idea and write a brief description of their drawing. The winning idea will be transformed into IHOP's float for the 1997 Pasadena Tournament of Roses Parade. In addition to grand prizes, the grand prize winner will ride in the Rose Parade on the float he or she dreamed up.

Seven regional finalists will be chosen, with the grand prize winner selected from among them. Teachers who submit the most entries in each of the seven regions will also earn prizes. Entry forms are available at participating IHOP's and elementary schools nationwide. The contest entry deadline is January 31, 1996.

East Orange youth celebrate United Nations Day



The children from the JAMAS Children's University accompanied by city officials. Pictured holding the U.N. flag are Chloe Webb, Grade 2 and Ronald Walton, Grade 3 while others look on. (2nd row, Tiffany Bozeman, Grade 6; Desmond Johnson, Grade 5, (3rd row, 1st) Yolanda Jackson, Grade 7; Zubah Walton, Grade 4 and Adrian Johnson, Grade 8.

Photo by Glen Freelon

Scholarships available for accounting students

ROSELAND—The New Jersey Society of Certified Public Accountants (NJSCPA) and New Jersey Business magazine are offering scholarships for students by sponsoring an Accounting Manuscript Contest. The contest's objective, besides providing financial assistance, is to recognize accounting students' communications skills.

Any sophomore or junior at a New Jersey college can compete for the scholarship by writing an essay on an accounting/business topic. This year's topic is "CPAs in Cyberspace: Helping Businesses Keep Pace with Technology."

The first place winner will receive a \$1,500 scholarship and the opportunity to have his or her manuscript published in New Jersey Business magazine. Up to three additional winners will receive scholarships of \$500 each for honorable mention.

Articles should be 1,000 words in length and will be evaluated by a panel of judges. The deadline for all submissions is December 15, 1995. For entry forms and more information contact accounting department chairperson at any New Jersey college or call the NJSCPA office at 201-226-4494 x225.

Black Achievers has openings for new members

EAST ORANGE—East Orange YMCA Black Achievers Program is recruiting youths in Orange, East Orange, and Irvington between the ages of 8 and 18 years for the program.

The main objective of the Black Achievers Program is to provide an environment for African-American and other minority youth to attain high educational and career goals, according to Donna Darby, Urban Services Director at the East Orange YMCA.

One of the key components of the Black Achievers is creating role models and mentor for youth. The program is open to all school age children enrolled in East Orange, Orange, and Irvington public or private schools.

The YMCA has a mentor cross section of individuals who serve as role models hailing from government, private corporations, small businesses, public entities, dedicated parents

and community leaders.

The Black Achievers Program has a target number of student participation in the Metro area including East Orange, Orange, and Irvington at 100. The goal of the program includes:

- To enhance self-esteem;
- Improve academic scores for participating youths;
- Provision of role models to inspire youths;
- Exposure to college and career choices;
- To develop strong leadership skills;
- Promote community involvement;
- Public recognition of student and adult achievers at an annual awards banquet.

Some of the participating agencies in the Black Achievers Program include the City of East Orange, the East Orange School District, PSE&G and others. Enrollment for the is open. For registration and more information, contact the East Orange YMCA at 201-673-5588.

Trenace Fayton, a sister who Excelles



SAVANNAH, GA—Trenace Fayton, (c) Miss Elizabeth City State University is crowned Miss National Black College Hall of Fame (NBCHF) during the Annual Black College Hall of Fame Queens Pageant. Fayton is congratulated by Thomas W. Doris, Jr., Black College Hall of Fame Foundation chairman, (r) and Joyce Roché, vice president Global Marketing, Carson Products Company, makers of Excelle, No-Lye Relaxer. As reigning Queen, Fayton and the first runner Kanyetta Hampton, Miss Grambling State University received \$3,000 and \$2,000 scholarships respectively sponsored by Excelle. The 36 college campus Queens were pegged "Sisters Who Excelle" for having achieved excellence in academics, talent, charm, and African-American stewardship. The pageant was sponsored by Excelle, No Lye Relaxer and The Gillette Company.

KFC recruits kids to nominate top senior achievers

CHICAGO, IL—Bringing young and old together, Kentucky Fried Chicken announces the Colonel's Way Award, a national program seeking kids to help celebrate the outstanding achievements of senior citizens.

Thousands of elementary schools across the country are participating in the Colonel's Way Award through educational lesson plans developed to encourage third, fourth and fifth graders to think about how seniors have historically contributed to America.

In the heritage of Colonel Sanders, KFC is looking to find and recognize seniors who accomplish significant achievements late in life. The Colonel's Way Award recognizes persons 60 or older who have made outstanding contributions to their communities in one of six categories: business, education, sports, family, art and community service. The top prize is \$10,000.

Anyone can nominate a senior 60 or older via a 250 words, or less, essay describing how that person has achieved greatness late in life. Semifinalists are chosen from each state and the District of Columbia. Two finalists from each category will compete for top honors. Entries must be postmarked by January 19, 1996.

For entry information and contest rules, send a #10 self-addressed stamped envelope to Colonel's Way Award, 20 E. Randolph Rd., 63rd floor, Chicago, IL 60601.

'Hooray for Children' celebrates Hispanic Heritage Month

NEWARK—"Hooray for Children," the over-popular series of live programs from The Newark Public Library, will hold a special program in November to celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month and in December to celebrate the Holiday Season. The programs, which are free will begin at 2 p.m. in the main library on Washington Street.

On Sunday, November 19 David Rafael Gonzalez, award-winning storyteller, will point a vivid picture of the people and cultures of the Spanish-speaking world with colorful tales from the Caribbean, Spain, South America, and Puerto Rico. The program will be presented in English and Spanish in Centennial Hall.

On Saturday, December 16 the children and their families can share the holiday fun and festivities as The Happy Times Players create some elfin magic in the library's Auditorium. For further information on both programs, call Michele Cappetta at 201-733-5642.

Clifford Scott High co-sponsors college fair

EAST ORANGE—The East Orange Public Library, Clifford Scott High School and the Eagle Flight Squadron, Inc. are hosting a Fall College Fair on Saturday, November 18, from noon to 3 p.m. at the Viking Hall Gymnasium of Upsala College. The gymnasium is located at 344 Prospect Street.

Colleges and universities from New Jersey and other states will be represented at the Fair. The fair is open to the public, and all students in grades eight through 12 are especially urged to attend.

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sible candidate? Perhaps.

Washington, D.C. voters were stunned by the re-election of Mayor Marion Barry when all pundits assumed that one of Barry's opponents was a cinch to win once he received the endorsement of a major daily newspaper. What did Barry do to win? He registered huge numbers of formerly unregistered voters, then provided rides to the polls to ensure they voted. Is this a possibility for Powell? Only time will tell.

One of the ingredients in the Christian Coalition's success is its ability to energize its constituency around specific issues. And they vote.

Another issue facing the General will be his ability to galvanize African Americans to vote for the Republican ticket in large numbers. National polls indicate many African Americans either are not familiar with him or support President Clinton. His qualified support for affirmative action

works in his favor.

The Republican Party and the Coalition however, are actively working to dismantle affirmative action programs. Can this issue be resolved to the satisfaction of Republicans and Powell?

Powell appears to have transcended the issue of race — publicly at least. What reaction does he cause in the South, particularly among the older generation? Have they truly changed? Will they pull the lever as easily as they profess colorblindness.

The general has a very important decision to make sometime around Thanksgiving. If he does "go for it," many people of all races will offer unqualified support for him in his quest. It will also put America to the test, to see if we have honestly reached that plateau where color is no longer a consideration for the presidency of the nation? Whatever Powell's decision, he has inspired this country. He needs to assume a national leadership position, whatever it happens to be.

Jackson embrace

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sion than declared: "We come here today because there is a structural malfunction in America. Why do we lack progress? Because we are not getting a primary and secondary education. Why do we march? Because the media stereotypes us, than we are, less hard-working than we work."

We are projected as less intelligent. Why do we march? Because we are trapped with second class schools and first class jails. What is the crisis? Wealth going upward, jobs going outward. Middle class crumbling downward, the poor expanding rapidly."

Following the March, Farrakhan committed the Nation of Islam to conduct a massive voter registration campaign, bringing millions of new black voters to the polls in 1996. This represents a challenge to the remnants of the Rainbow Coalition and the traditional civil rights establishment. Does Jackson embrace Farrakhan's leadership, or does he attempt to regain the political?

Can Jackson revitalize multi-cultural, multiracial, left-of-center politics, speaking beyond black and white? If Jackson fails, black Americans may increasingly turn within itself,

moving away from the possibility of multiracial democratic reform.

Before Chavis' exclusion as NAACP leader in 1994, he urged the black freedom movement to eschew the politics of racial chauvinism and social isolation from progressive multiracial constituencies. Chavis wrote, "Let us not be distracted from our central tasks building a nation where we are not separate and unequal, where no group is relegated to poverty, and where race or creed does not determine one's destiny."

Chavis' observation still remains the central challenge for both black and progressive US politics. A strategy which addresses poverty and improvement, should understand the burden of race, but must also speak a language of class. A social vision which transcends the narrow confines of black nationalist separatism remains vital to the reconstruction of American democracy.

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Reaction

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of many black political leaders and civil rights activists if the following statement of Democratic Congressman Maxine Waters: "It feels as if the Supreme Court, legislative bodies and organized right-wing groups have all kinds have decided their worst enemy is people of color, and African Americans specifically."

"Our job is in the streets organizing... conferences, rallies, protests. We've got to put the numbers together, we've got to put a face on what is happening to us," Waters said.

Among Congressional leaders like Waters, Georgia Representative John Lewis and former Congressman Black Caucus chairman Owens of Mfume of Maryland, there is ongoing discussion in mapping national strategy to combat a seeming growing tide of anti-black conservatism.

In addition to Governor Wilson's affirmative action bashing in California, the list includes:

Senate Majority Leader Robert Dole's legislative plans to drastically curtail federal affirmative action;

Similar legislation sponsored by a Republican congressman from Florida that would ban government preferences that benefit only minorities and women;

A recent Supreme Court decision that will invalidate the boundaries of a number of majority-black congress-

sional districts

Another high court ruling that federal contracting programs must be narrowly tailored to address identifiable past discrimination.

It is hoped that such discussions will ultimately be translated into action at the local level that includes massive block-by-block voter registration and education, as well as legal advice and aid to counter an anticipated rash of challenges to a wide range of legislative districts presently represented by black and Hispanic office-holders.

Currently also, funds are being raised to support an effort to confront and combat assaults on minority set-aside programs. And in Washington, the Leadership Conference on Civil Rights has begun a letter-writing campaign to oppose Senator Dole's anti-affirmative action legislation.

Meanwhile, it seems that institutional racism continues unaddressed and unabated at the New Jersey Highway Authority, which manages the Garden State Parkway. After Authority executives announced last June that minority employees would no longer be permitted to publish a column in the Authority's periodic employee newspaper, I wrote to Authority executive director Lewis Thurston seeking the rationale for his decision.

Receiving no response to my let-

Mayors support UEZ

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are passed over by companies seeking the tax benefits in neighboring towns with urban enterprise zones," Cooper added.

Mayor Cooper applauded the East Orange Chamber of Commerce's efforts to make the business community more active in the campaign to communicate the issue to Governor Whitman and members of the Assembly and Senate.

Mayors Thalia Kay of Pemberton, William O'Donnell of Guttenberg, Alvin Sires of West New York and Bob of Irvington spoke about their respective efforts and the importance of UEZ designation to the health of their town's business community.

Senator Codey and Assemblyman Jones who is a cosponsor of Assembly Bill #2606, outlined their efforts at the

legislative level to ensure passage of their respective bills.

The strategy session was led by Management and Government Resources, Incorporated (MGR), a lobbying group based in Burlington. The towns of West New York, Guttenberg, Pemberton and North Bergen retained the services of MGR to coordinate their lobbying efforts and to develop strategies to increase the participation of their business communities.

MGR discussed ways to increase participation among the community through letter writing campaigns and telephone banks to members of the Senate and Assembly. On October 19 the New Jersey Senate Policy and Rules Committee voted unanimously in favor of S1842. The bill is now under review by the Senate Appropriations Committee.

ter of June 19. I forwarded a similar request on July 21 to Mary Cudjoe, director of Governor Whitman's Office of Community Outreach. Same

Central Ward celebrates

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In speaking of the "good," James encouraged members to purchase local housing and attend local colleges. The mayor spoke of six "new neighborhood malls" in the ward, an increase in the recreational opportunities, and rehabilitation of churches.

James urged local residents to "clean up our own property, clean up our own houses. When we see brothers and sisters doing wrong we have to stand up and say, 'you're wrong.' You can't be a brother or a sister if you're mugging, killing, and doing

harm to each other," the mayor exclaimed.

"We're going to have to root the crime out of our own neighborhoods. We know who's selling drugs, we know who's doing crime. We have to stand up in our own neighborhood. Let's take back Newark, take back the Central Ward."

Also on hand for the event, were Essex County College President Dr. Yaamba, Councilwoman Mildred Crump, Director of the Housing Authority Harold Lucas, Gayle Chaneyfield and Bessie Walker.

Misunderstanding

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out of their mouths against: (A.) Minister Louis Farrakhan; (B.) the Rev. Benjamin Chavis; or (C.) the absence of women in the March itself.

The shows talked about, and their newspaper and magazine counterparts wrote stories and news items about, separating the acceptable "message" of black males taking social and family responsibility at last, from the march's so-called unacceptable "messenger" — Farrakhan. Ha!

The mainstream media misunderstood the March, the message and the messenger. Instead of putting their

considerable resources into reporting the "good news," the positive impact of the event with stories measuring, for example, how many 40-oz. bottles of malt liquor were sold that day, or how many "Bum's" cigars were sold, compared to other non-March days, they wasted their opportunity trying to tear down its champion.

Their collective gnashing of teeth and sighing reminds me of the metaphor of donkeys, braying at the sun, trying to blow out that star's flame with their bellowing. They wasted their breath.

Is America ready?

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service. Great Americans like Jefferson, Jackson, Roosevelt, Eisenhower, Kennedy and Johnson, would have been politically destroyed if the media frenzy then was like it is today.

Then there is the issue of race. This country still has to show it is ready for a black president. With all the polarization over affirmative action, the O.J. Simpson trial and the Million Man March, it's hard to believe the nation is ready. This is not only because of whites, many of whom we believe will not be affected by race, but also because of a portion of

the black electorate.

But let's be honest, we have seen in every election polls where black candidates get high poll numbers then end up in razor close election. We have also seen elections where race is used to exploit black voters who feel he is not "their candidate," that he has been chosen by whites, or that he has not been in the struggle.

The Powell candidacy has the potential of showing not only what Colin Powell is made of but also what America is made of. We hope that we don't regret what we find out on either account.

AT&T commits 150 Mil

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AT&T's Technology in the Classroom program announced in early October. Support for improvements in education will be a priority for the "new" AT&T, Neresian said. The new communications services company, which

is one of three companies formed as a result of last month's restructuring, will implement the new AT&T Learning Network.

The company will begin implementing the AT&T Learning Network

next spring. More information about the program will be available by calling AT&T at 1-800-699-1097. The AT&T Learning Network can be reached or the Internet at internet@LearningNet.ATT.com.

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ARTZ WEDNESDAY

Motown Cafe, a great piece of the past

By Laura Andrews

NEW YORK, N.Y.—The Motown Cafe is a restaurant rich with soul so embracing you will feel it from the time of your entrance to your departure. This form of soul can be internalized physically and spiritually at the eatery's 57 Street location in New York City.

Before entering this three-story restaurant, guests are ushered underneath a large sign bearing the famous tag, "Motown." Once inside, for a minute, you are almost forced to forego your appetite for food and settle for a diet of Motown's greatest music.

From the outside, one window is adorned with a full-size, hand-finished motion sculpture of Marvin Gaye. In the opposite window, is a statue of a teenage Stevie Wonder.

As you follow the red carpet into the Cafe, a magical step called the "Stairway Success" holds the Motown's former and present artists' gold records. Next to the Stairway is a set of striking statues of one of Motown's greatest groups, Diana Ross and The Supremes.



The Motown Cafe performers, the Motown Moments in performance as guests enjoy their meals.

Photo by Laura Andrews

Whether you look up or down, you can only be amazed upon viewing other memorable items carefully situated in this house.

As part of the main floor layout is the Motown Revue Road Map. It designates all the locations performed by Motown artists. To not let you forget that you're in the Motown Cafe, photographs covering Motown Records' 36 years are featured in designated rooms reserved for special occasions.

Opposite these rooms is the "Shop Around" Shop. In this small location, Motown Cafe memorabilia like T-shirts, novelties, accessories, hats and without a doubt, Motown music and a host of other practical goods can be purchased.

In back of the Motown Revue Stage are authentic remnants from the historic Automat, which the Cafe presently occupies in the flagship building. On the Motown Revue Stage live performances take place almost hourly. These spontaneous group of performers often are appropriately dressed and sound similar to Motown's famous recording artists Martha Reeves and the Vandellas and

Diana Ross and The Supremes. They impressively mimic both groups.

Above this stage, where Motown's greatest hits can be heard, is the biggest record in the world. At 27 feet dangling from the ceiling is a classic Motown 45 disc.

Peering from the second floor is a statue of one of the world's greatest pop-music singer, Michael Jackson. The child figure of Jackson is on the second floor with a life-size figurine of Martha Reeves and the Vandellas. To add a historic look to the facility, the Cafe has memorable group posters, actual Motown memorabilia and original clothing from Motown's giants.

Two local artists' works are featured on this floor. Plainfield, artist Alton Adams' interesting hand-painted collage occupies an entire section in the Cafe. Adjacent to Adams' creative works is New York veteran photographer Kwame Brathwaite's original photographs which can be viewed from the many Motown Revue appearances at the Apollo Theatre.

A commemorative cornerstone of

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Houston acquires film rights to Dandridge's life story



Singer/actress Whitney Houston

LOS ANGELES, CA—Whitney Houston has acquired the motion picture rights to the book *Dorothy Dandridge: A Biography* written by Donald Bogle and scheduled to be published by Arisntad Press in 1996. Houston will star in the film as the legendary actress-singer and will also co-produce with Debra Martin.

"I have always been intrigued by

Dorothy Dandridge and the triumphs and tragedies of her life," said Houston. "She was an enormously talented African American whose gifts, like those of Josephine Baker, Billie Holiday and Paul Robeson, were never fully appreciated because she was quite simply ahead of her time.

Donald Bogle's book will give me the opportunity to bring the elegance, dignity and richness of Dorothy to the screen," Houston continued.

The sultry and exquisite Dandridge has attained a cult status. Generally regarded as the first African-American female movie star, in 1954 she became the first African American to receive an Oscar nomination for "Best Actress" for her work in *Carmen Jones* and to be featured on the cover of *Life Magazine*.

But her pioneering success in Hollywood was marred by a troubled personal life and in 1965 at the age of 42, she died from an apparent drug overdose.



Late singer/actress Dorothy Dandridge

Donald Bogle is one of the country's leading authorities on African Americans in American popular culture and is the author of three prize-winning books on the subject. His book *Brown Sugar: Eighty Years of America's Black Female Superstars* was recently adapted by him into a

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Mayor Sharpe James to compete in comic relief



Newark Mayor Sharpe James

NEWARK—In an ongoing effort to assist Newark's homeless population, Mayor Sharpe James will square off against the Mayors of sev-

eral other cities for the coveted title of "America's Funniest Mayor." The contest will pit Mayor James' funny jokes against the jokes of eight other mayors to help raise money for the local National Health Care for the Homeless organizations.

"I think my chances are fairly good," said James. "I feel good about my timing and delivery, and let's face it, you can't beat the good-natured people of Newark—a community which has produced the likes of Jerry Lewis and Bill Bellamy—when it comes to jokes and funny stories.

James noted that the great thing about the Comic Relief's Funniest Mayor competition is that no matter who comes in first, the homeless in Newark and across the nation are the real winners.

The competition is being held under the auspices of "Comic Relief VII," the seventh comedy event to be televised on Home Box Office (HBO) to benefit the nation's homeless.

This year's "Comic Relief" will again be hosted by comedy superstars Billy Crystal, Whoopi Goldberg and Robin Williams, and will air on November 11 from L.A.'s Universal Amphitheatre.

The eight other mayors vying for the "Funniest Mayor" title are: Kurt Schmoke of Baltimore, Wellington Webb of Denver, Emmanuel Cleaver of Kansas City, Richard Riordan of Los Angeles, Steve Clark of Miami, Bill Thornton of San Antonio, Susan Golding of San Diego and Norman Rice of Seattle.

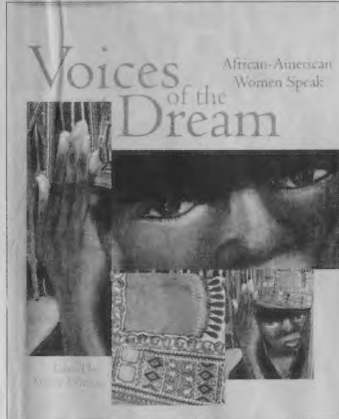
Inspiration for black women

about African-American women. In this inspiring volume, both young and old will hear the echoes of the past: When I found I had crossed the line, I looked at my hands to see if I was the same person. There was such a glory over everything; the sun came like gold through the trees, and over the fields, and I felt like I was In Heaven—Harriet Tubman

As well as the present: It's easy to be independent when you've got money. But to be independent when you haven't got a thing—that's the Lord's test.—Mahalia Jackson

These wisdoms display humor and poignancy in a full and diverse scope that spans from the 17th century to the 20th century.

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SAN FRANCISCO, CA—*Voices of the Dream: African-American Women Speak*, (Chronicle

Books, February 1996) is an insightful, uplifting and spiritual collection of prose, poetry, and songs by and

Jazz: Photographs of the Masters



It is the quintessential sound of twentieth-century America—an art alive with innovation and explosive energy. And here are its greatest liv-

ing artists collected for history in *Jazz: Photographs of the Masters* (Arisntad Press, November 1995).

Renowned photographer Jacques

Lowe captures 200 of the great masters who define the state of the art today. Rich duotone portraits explore the spirit and character of legends like Sonny Rollins and Max Roach; innovators Cecil Taylor and Wayne Shorter; jazz greats Oscar Peterson, Joe Williams, Gerry Mulligan, Illinois Jacquet, and McCoy Turner, as well as some of the most familiar names in contemporary music—Quincy Jones, Wynton Marsalis, Ray Charles, Herbie Hancock and Dave Brubeck.

In addition to the photographs by Lowe, the book includes introductory essays by Boston Globe jazz contributor Bob Blumenthal that trace the development of this unique American art form. Created primarily, but not exclusively by the Americans, jazz sparked and grew in the marches, cakewalks, piano parlors, outdoor brass bands, string ensembles and lone guitarists in turn-of-the-century New Orleans.

Newark historic photographic collection on display

NEWARK—What if it amazes Sarah Vaughn, a Tibetan monastery, the Brooklyn Bridge and physical fitness in the 16th century? They are all part of a "life-size" exhibit at Newark City Hall as part of the commemoration to the "Central Ward Rebirth Celebration" held last month.

Entitled "Treasures in Newark Central Ward," the exhibit features 16 enlarged illustrations of resources for research located in the libraries of the New Jersey Institute of Technology, The Newark Museum, Newark Public Library, Rutgers University Newark Campus and the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey.

McCarte Theatre premieres Valley Song

PRINCETON—McCarte Theatre will continue its 1995-96 Theatre Series with the American Premiere of internationally-acclaimed author Athol Fugard's play *Valley Song* running through November 12. The author of *Master Harold ... and The Boys* returns to the stage as author, director and actor in this poignant new play.

Valley Song is a coming of age story about a young girl seeking to embrace the future while her grandfather struggles to let go of the past. *Valley Song* will transfer from McCarte directly to Off-Broadway's Manhattan Theatre Club, before crossing the Atlantic for its London premiere at the Royal Court Theatre.

Fugard returns to McCarte Theatre where he directed his play *Hello and Good-by* in 1994. "I'm delighted to be here. It means a great deal to me" stated Fugard on his first day of rehearsals. "My first experience at McCarte was very, very special and I've returned reinforced following a very good experience with this play in South Africa."

The world premiere of *Valley Song* at the Market Theatre in Johannesburg, South Africa opened to critical acclaim. Tickets can be obtained by calling the McCarte Theatre Box Office at 609-683-8000.

ARTZ WEDNESDAY, YOUR GUIDE TO THE ENTERTAINMENT WORLD

Bloomfield College Art Gallery features Latin American artists

BLOOMFIELD—Bloomfield College's Westminster Art Gallery has invited six internationally acclaimed Latin American artists to exhibit their paintings and small scale sculptures in an exhibition running until December 12.

The exhibit presents a wide range of styles, philosophies and approaches to art that promises to engage viewers in a powerful viewing experience. Featured in the show are award-winning artists Manuel Acevedo of Newark; Freddy Rodriguez of Flushing, NY; Gloria Rodriguez of Jersey City; Juan Sanchez of Brooklyn, NY; Fanny Samin of New York City; and Fausto Sevilla of Elizabeth, NJ.

The Westminster Art Gallery is open Monday through Thursday, 1 to 5 p.m.; Friday, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.; and by appointment. For more information on the exhibition call Lisa Farese at 201-748-9000, ext. 343.



Pictured Manuel Acevedo of Newark with an untitled installation.

Photo by Manuel Acevedo

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NOVEMBER 11, 12
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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12
EAST ORANGE—Larry Graham & Graham Central Station at Brokers Entertainment Complex at 8:30 and 11:30 p.m. For more info call 201-678-8800.

BEGINNING NOVEMBER 13
NEWARK—"In the Tradition," hosted by WBGO. Featuring Giacomo Gates, Tess Marshall and Karen Lopes. For reservations and more info call 201-624-6890.

BEGINNING NOVEMBER 14
NEW YORK—"The School For Scandal" at the Lyceum Theatre. For more info call 212-239-6280.

NEWARK—Newark Public Library MOMMO Play Reading Festival 6:30 p.m. For more info call 733-7793.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16
NEW BRUNSWICK—Laughter Coming to the State Theatre in New Brunswick starring Howie Mandel. For ticket call 908-246-7469.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17
EAST ORANGE—Slave, BT Express at Brokers Entertainment Complex at 8:30 and 11:30 p.m. For more info call 201-678-8800.

MADISON—Chamber Concert with "Accord Winds" at the Madison Fairleigh Dickinson University 8 p.m. For more info call Lillian Lukac at 201-524-6961.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18
WEST LONG BRANCH—Ebony Night Gala Dinner Dance Fashion Show at Monmouth University at 6 p.m. sponsored by African American Student Union. For more info call 908-225-5548.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19
ELIZABETH—Fifth Annual Hunger Benefit affair at the Holiday Inn-Jetport at 5 p.m. For more info call 908-355-1700.

NEW YORK, NY—Tune in to the movie mania on the cable networks, days and nights will be filled with horror, action, comedy, as well as classic movies brought to you by USA, FAMILY CHANNEL, SHOWTIME, and other channels. Just check your cable guides for the fun.

USA NETWORK presents the premier of *Where's The Money, Where's the young woman who comes out of prison after serving 15 years for armed robbery. Everyone is convinced she knows where the \$3 million went but she professes ignorance and wants to start her life anew.*

Starring Julianne Phillips, A Martinez, and Nigel Bennett, the movie will air on Wednesday, December 6, at 9 p.m. ET/PT

HEALTH CALENDAR

MONTHLY

UNION—HIV/AIDS—Counseling support group every 2nd and 4th Thursday at Union Hospital GRAND Center at 7 p.m. For more info call 908-686-3177.

THRU NOVEMBER 14

RAHWAY—Diabetes Education Series at Rahway Hospital for outpatients. For more info call 908-499-0056.

THRU NOVEMBER 19

BASKING RIDGE—Flu shots at Visiting Nurse Association of Somerset Hills. For more info call 908-647-5258.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8

BELLE MEAD—Holiday Survival Strategies program at the Carrier Foundation at 6:45 p.m. For more info call 908-281-1518.

NEWARK—Saint Michael's Medical Center offers Free Foot Screenings For People With Diabetes from 1 - 4 p.m.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13

HAMILTON—Stress & Relaxation free educational program at the Carrier Foundation for Counseling at 6:45 p.m. For more info call 609-585-5888.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14

SCOTCH PLAINS—"Hypertension" course at Union County College Regional Health Education Center from 7 - 9 p.m. For more info call 908-709-7600.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16

IRVINGTON—Community High Blood Pressure Control Program at the Irvington Senior Citizens Center at 1 p.m. For more info call 201-399-6505.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18

JERSEY CITY—Adult CPR and First Aid course at Jersey City Community College. For more info call 201-714-2107.

JERSEY CITY—"Infection Control and Barrier Precautions" three-hour course for licensed health care professionals 10 a.m. at Jersey City Community College. For more info call 201-714-2107.

NEW BRUNSWICK—Sleep Apnea self-help group meeting at 10:30 a.m. For more info call 908-937-8820/8505.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21

SCOTCH PLAINS—"Cancer Prevention" course at Union County College Regional Health Education Center from 7 - 9 p.m. For more info call 908-709-7600.

ATTENTION:

PLAINFIELD—Muhlenberg Regional Medical Center offers community health education classes and support groups for cancer, childbirth, Laminex, diabetes, etc. For more info call 908-688-2000.

RELIGIOUS CALENDAR

NOVEMBER 10-12

PLAINFIELD—Faith Outreach Center Youth Weekend '95. Scheduled events are YMCA Sports night, Music Ministry, and youth workshops. For more info and registration call 908-754-2332.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12

BAYONNE—Annual Fellowship celebration at the Evangelical Gospel Tabernacle. For more info call 201-858-1259.

ASBURY PARK—Women's Day Praise in Song service at St. Stephens AME Zion Church at 4 p.m. Volunteers and attendees being sought. For more info call 908-542-8677 or 774-4010.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19

JERSEY CITY—Religious Series lecture at Hudson County Community College at 11:15 a.m. For more info call 201-714-2107, ext. 018.

PLAINFIELD—Calvary Baptist Church presents 15th and 18th Anniversary of their Young Adult & Gospel Chorus at 3:30 p.m. For more info call 908-226-9561.

DECEMBER 1-3

ASBURY PARK—Tambourines to Glory by Langston Hughes at Saint Augustin's Episcopal Church. For more info and times call 908-774-3069.

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A support for victims of domestic violence

FLORHAM PARK—On Sunday, October 29 at 2 p.m., marches from all over the state, some carrying life-sized silhouettes of women, silently convened at the steps of the State House in Trenton. The silhouettes represented women murdered in the 21 counties of New Jersey—the silent witnesses to domestic violence.

An additional silhouette commemorated all victims of domestic violence in New Jersey. Following

the march, the "silent witnesses" were displayed at the State House and are available throughout the state upon request.

The march was organized by the Silent Witness Coalition of New Jersey to focus attention on domestic violence, which Attorney General Deborah T. Poritz calls "one of the most serious, hideous and pervasive of all crimes."

There were 70,991 reports of do-

mestic violence in New Jersey last year including 42 murders, according to a report compiled by the New Jersey State Police. That equates to an act of domestic violence every seven minutes, and 24 seconds. Assaults accounted for 39,047 or 55 percent of the cases.

Women were victims in 82 percent of the cases. Children were involved in 49 percent of the cases and alcohol or drugs were involved in 39

percent.

"The purpose of the coalition is to reduce the incidents of domestic violence by raising public awareness and educating women on how to get help in ending domestic violence in their lives," said coalition Chairwoman Rosalie Cannon McGill, Esq. of Florham Park.

Assemblywomen Carol Murphy (Morris) and Rose Heck (Bergen), both of whom co-sponsored seven

bills to toughen domestic violence laws this year, are honorary chairpersons of the coalition. In addition to organizing the New Jersey march, the coalition is making preparations for a national march in Washington in October, 1997 in conjunction with other silent witness organizations throughout the country.

For more information about the coalition contact Chairwoman Rosalie Cannon McGill at 201-377-1977.

Healthier New Jersey babies through prenatal care



Pictured at a recent March of Dimes grant presentation to Planned Parenthood of Metropolitan New Jersey (serving Essex, Hudson and Passaic counties) at the agency's Gate Center in East Orange, are (l-r): Loretta Carter-Robinson, coordinator of the East Orange prenatal service program; Antoinette Snead, associate executive director of health services for Planned Parenthood; and Dr. Robert L. Johnson, director of adolescent and young adult medicine at the UMDNJ, New Jersey Medical School, and a 1995 March of Dimes Community Service Awards honoree. Johnson presented grant on behalf of the March of Dimes North Jersey Chapter to help kick-off October and Campaign for Healthier Babies Month. The 1995 March of Dimes grant in the amount of \$7,600 will help fund a culturally relevant prenatal services program reaching out to the underserved female population of Essex County. For more information about community grants, programs or services, call the March of Dimes at 201-882-0700.

Surf the Information Superhighway with NJPIX

NEWARK—The North Jersey Public Information Exchange (NJPIX) has unveiled a new and exciting electronic information resource dedicated to communities in northern New Jersey. NJPIX empowers residents, students, teachers, and members of the business community by providing free access to a customized version of the information superhighway.

National and global resources available on the Internet have been seamlessly integrated into NJPIX to deliver users the "cyber experiences" only the information superhighway can provide.

"NJPIX was designed to be a

user-friendly tool," explains Paul D. Patwell, NJPIX Chair and Regional Depository Librarian for U.S. Government Documents at The Newark Public Library. "Individuals easily gain access to the system by dialing up NJPIX from their computer modems at home or work, through computers at The Newark Public Library, or," Patwell added, "at computers located at any of the other NJPM member organizations."

Communities in North Jersey will be able to peruse databases about parenting, interact with local politicians, review a community calendar, and hunt for employment or job train-

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Journalism Fellowship available for minority students

SYRACUSE, NY—Applications are now being accepted for a generous fellowship and internship program through which minority students are trained as graduate students and interns to become newspaper journalists.

The Newhouse Graduate Fellowship/Internship in Newspaper Journalism for Minorities Program, now in its third year, is jointly sponsored by Syracuse University's S. I. Newhouse School of Public Communications and the Newhouse Foundation.

The awards provide for 16 months of study at the acclaimed Newhouse School and then year-long paid internships. Fee tuition, \$1,000 a month, stipends, health insurance coverage and up to \$3,300 in other benefits are provided for the school portion of the program, during which fellows earn Master's degrees in newspaper journalism from the Newhouse School and also work as part-time interns at

the Syracuse Newspapers. Later, the fellows work as full-time interns either at the Syracuse Newspapers or at one of the 24 other Newhouse newspapers across the country, earning competitive entry-level salaries.

To be eligible for the 1996 competition, a candidate must have earned an undergraduate degree from an accredited college or university in a field other than Journalism (with a B average or higher) by July 1 of 1996. To be a U.S. citizen and either African American, Hispanic/Latino, Asian or

Native American.

To apply by the Feb. 15, 1996 deadline, submit a complete application for admission to Syracuse University's Newspaper Master's Program. This requires taking the Graduate Record Examination. The University application fee is waived for all eligible Newhouse Fellow candidates.

For further information and application forms call Colleen Duffin at 315-443-1124.

PNC Mortgage Corp. holds foreclosure seminar

EAST ORANGE—The PNC Mortgage Corporation of America is hosting a Foreclosure Seminar with guest speaker Chiquita Pittman, CPA. The seminar will be held at the Perimeter Complex on Wednesday, November 8 at 7 p.m. and will highlight qualification for homeowners.

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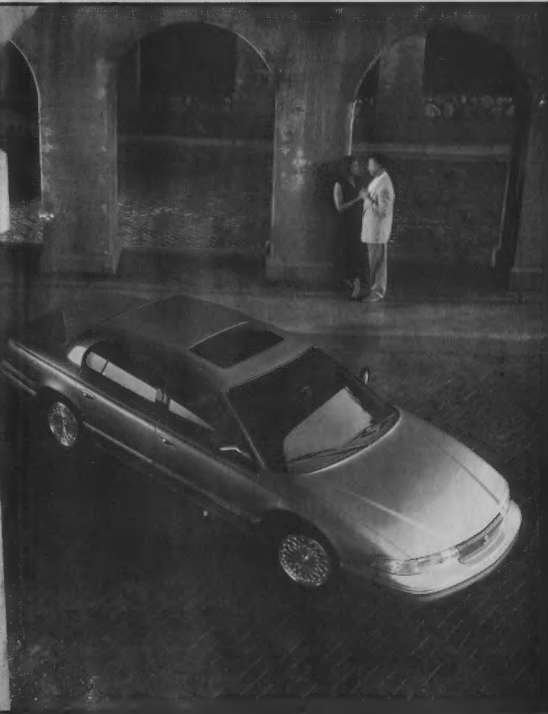
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NEW YORK—Enhancing Your Presentation Skills: A Seminar for Sales Professionals at the AMA Management Center. For more info call 1-800-262-9999.

NOVEMBER 9

NEW YORK—Advertising and copy research seminar at the New York Hilton. For more info call 212-751-9558, Ext. 234.

NOVEMBER 10

NEW YORK—Business Development Assistance Program at the National Minority Business Council office from 4 p.m. For more info call 212-573-2385.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9

NEWARK—RBP Affirmative Action—Minority and Women Small Business Symposium at the Newark Gateway Hilton Hotel at 8 a.m. For more info call 201-242-6237, ext. 222.

NEWARK—Center City Development Corporation meeting at the Newark Gateway Hilton Hotel at 8 a.m. For more info call 201-242-6237, ext. 222.

PARSIPPANY—Wages, Hours & Pay seminar for personnel and payroll managers at the Holiday Inn Parsippany. For more info call 201-263-2000.

NOVEMBER 10, 11

NEW YORK—Uncommon Women on Common Ground seminar at the Sheraton Towers from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

NOVEMBER 12-14

UNIVERSAL CITY, CA—7th Annual EPA conference extending your promotional reach at the Universal City Hilton. For more info call 718-469-9330.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13

NEW BRUNSWICK—NJAWBO's Business Showcase at the Hyatt Regency from 6 to 8 p.m. For more info call Della Manichella at 908-958-1919.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14

HACKENSACK—Tapping the Hidden Job Market workshop at Bergen County Technical Schools at 8:30 p.m. For more info call 201-343-6000, x.3345.

Pepsi contract helps create major black-owned manufacturer

NEW BRUNSWICK—Pepsi-Cola Company recently announced it has signed a five-year, \$75 million contract to buy corrugated boxes from Integrated Packaging Corporation (IPC), a minority-owned company in New Brunswick.

The contract makes IPC one of the largest African-American-owned businesses in the nation. Based on projected sales, the company is expected to be ranked 49th on *Black Enterprise Magazine's* annual list of industrial/service companies owned by African-Americans.

Pepsi, which will buy about 100 million corrugated boxes from IPC

each year, will be the company's largest customer. IPC will be the single largest supplier of corrugated boxes to Pepsi.

IPC makes boxes at a container plant in New Brunswick that was bought in August from Jefferson Smurfit Corporation. The contract with Pepsi made the plant-purchase possible by providing IPC with a major customer.

"Pepsi worked closely with us to help IPC buy the Jefferson Smurfit plant," IPC President and Chief Executive Officer Joe Wilson said.

"Pepsi's actions are evidence of its strong commitment to helping

minority-owned companies grow, create jobs and strengthen their communities. Pepsi continues to be a model for other companies in this regard," Wilson added.

Pepsi used its Minority Business Enterprise Program to assist IPC. The program which began in 1982, gives minority-owned firms an opportunity to be considered for contracts with Pepsi. And has enabled Pepsi to do more than \$800 million in business with minority-owned suppliers.

IPC's 165,000-square-foot container plant is in a low-income neighborhood and has a workforce of 100 that is

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Officials of Pepsi visit Integrated Packaging Corporation (IPC) in New Jersey to mark the signing of the contract. Pictured (l-r) Scott Buchanan, Pepsi dir. of supplier development; Jim Kozlowski, Pepsi VP of supplier development; Joe Wilson, IPC president and CEO; Al Fuller, IPC executive VP and COO and Henry Roger, IPC corrugator operator.

Federal Reserve Board approves merger of First Union and First Fidelity

The Federal Reserve Board has approved the merger of First Union Corporation (NYSE: FTU) of Charlotte, NC, and First Fidelity Bank (NYSE: FFB) of New York and Philadelphia.

The combined company—which will operate under the First Union name—will be the nation's sixth largest banking company based on estimated assets of \$126 billion.

First Union will operate the nation's largest network of bank branches—nearly 2,000—serving 11 million customers in 12 eastern states from Florida to Connecticut, as well as Washington, DC.

The merger, first announced June 19, of this year and approved by the two companies' respective shareholders Oct. 3, of this year is expected to be completed by Jan. 1, 1996, subject to certain conditions of closing.

The company will serve a region that includes 35 percent of the U.S. population and four of the nation's five highest personal-income areas.

The existing region served by First Fidelity contains the highest concentration of mid-sized companies in America, providing a greatly enlarged potential customer base for First Union's numerous capital-markets products and services designed for

such companies.

First Union also will expand the variety of financial products and services available at First Fidelity branches.

In addition to traditional banking products such as checking and savings accounts, certificates of deposit and consumer loans, First Union has developed an extensive array of financial planning and investment services including cash management accounts for consumers

ABA creates excellence for minority lawyers

CHICAGO, ILL.—The American Bar Association (ABA) has awarded the "Spirit of Excellence Award" to honor achievements by minority lawyers.

Awards will be presented to four minority lawyers and one organization, such as a corporation, partnership or law firm. Individual lawyers will be selected based on substantive legal achievement as well as significant contributions to advancing racial or ethnic diversity in the legal profession, or advancing opportunities for minorities within a particular practice area or segment of the legal profession.

Nominations forms are available from Marion Tucker at 750 N. Lake Shore Dr., Chicago, ILL. 60611; Or call 312-988-5923, fax 312-988-5647, or E-mail, tuckermj@attmail.

and businesses, tax-deferred annuities, and a proprietary family of mutual funds called the Evergreen Funds.

First Union also offers a wide variety of products and services designed for low- and moderate-income individuals and families, including low-downpayment home mortgages, low-interest-rate home improvement loans, no-minimum-balance checking accounts, and auto loans offering longer-than-normal repayment options.

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The program has been specifically developed to be user friendly, timely and inexpensive for small companies, searching to expand their skills base.

The SBI offers thirty-five class segments critical to small business management, including marketing and sales; budgeting and finance; legal issues; human relations and communications; improving productivity; quality and customer service; and

U.S. Chamber helps small business owners with effective and inexpensive training

WASHINGTON, DC.—The U.S. Chamber of Commerce recently launched the Small Business Institute (SBI)—an education program designed to provide one-stop, easy-to-use training resources for small business employers and their employees.

"All too often the small business community feels less competitive than larger companies because they can't afford to take time off from work to attend training classes," said Roger Jack, the Chamber's vice president for education programs and services.

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The SBI offers thirty-five class segments critical to small business management, including marketing and sales; budgeting and finance; legal issues; human relations and communications; improving productivity; quality and customer service; and

supervision, management and leadership. These courses offer the participants the additional opportunity to receive valuable Continuing Education Units and a Certificate of Achievement.

The smart business owner knows that the key to success is continued education," noted Jack. Smarter employees result in higher quality work and a better bottom line."

The U.S. Chamber of Commerce is the world's largest business federation, with more than 220,000 member businesses, state and local chambers of commerce and trade and professional associations.

Nearly 96 percent of the Chamber's member businesses have 100 or fewer employees. For further information on SBI call 202-778-2401, to order the brochures call 1-800-884-2880 or contact the Web site at <http://www.uschamber.org/chamber/buifirst.htm>.



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WHAT'S NEW IN 1996?

We at Amalgamated Publishers, Inc. (API) are happy to bring you our Fourth Annual Automotive Preview Supplement featuring the new models for 1996.

We have concentrated our efforts on previewing domestic models, since our recently completed research report indicates that 74% of our readers currently own or lease domestic automobiles. We will highlight what's new and important to our readers.

Ford Motor Company introduces the totally redesigned Ford Taurus and Mercury Sable. These new versions of America's best selling cars combine safety, comfort, value, convenience, and beauty.

All 1996 Ford cars come with the peace of mind of 24-hour Roadside Assistance. Ford cars also offer the safety of a standard dual air bag supplemental restraint system.

Many 1996 Ford models offer 100,000-mile engine tune-up intervals under normal driving conditions with routine fluid and filter changes.

Lincoln-Mercury Division vehicles enhance their traditionally high standard for excellence in quality, performance, technology design and safety for 1996.

The 1996 Lincoln Continental luxury sedan becomes the first car in the world to provide a high-tech personal protection system that uses global satellites to summon emergency aid to drivers.

For 1996, Buick features significant improvements in its premium compact Skylark and a more powerful super-charged engine in the luxurious Park Avenue Ultra and Riviera. Among other innovations is Personal Choice, a group of convenience and safety features that can be tailored to the preferences of two drivers and activated by a remote keyless entry button.

It's been a year since the concept of Genuine Chevrolet was introduced, and the Chevy 1996 line-up of passenger cars is solid proof that the Genuine Chevrolet theme is more than mere words. From the value packed Cavalier, Lumina and Monte Carlo to the tested and praised Corvette and Caprice, Chevrolet is doing what it takes to become America's most trusted nameplate.

GMC Truck - Two consecutive years of record sales - GMC Truck revs its 1996 product line with: New, more powerful and durable Vortec engines on all trucks and vans. The all new Savana full-size van - A new Sonoma sport truck - All new interior on the Safari mid-size van.

Well, you can see there are lots of changes and new innovations for 1996. We hope you find the vehicle of your choice amongst our wide variety of selections - Happy hunting!



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Lincoln-Mercury Division vehicles enhance their traditionally high standard for excellence in quality, performance, technology, design and safety for 1996.

For the first time, dual air bag supplemental restraint systems are standard in every Lincoln-Mercury product. And the 1996 Lincoln Continental luxury sedan becomes the first car in the world to provide a high-tech personal protection system that uses global satellites to summon emergency aid to drivers.

SABLE

The interior reflects attention to customer desires for comfort, safety and convenience, typified by the Integrated Control Panel that puts climate-control and audio controls at the driver's fingertips.

GRAND MARQUIS

There is a new four-spoke steering wheel with center horn activation, and the controls on the optional Electronic Automatic Temperature Control

system have been redesigned for easier use. The 4.6-liter V-8 engine is teamed with a smooth-shifting electronically controlled automatic transmission.

VILLAGER

New front and rear fascia and a new grille in place of the light bar give Villager a fresh look. A passenger-side air bag to supplement the safety belt joins the driver's system as standard equipment, and dual built-in children's safety seats become available. New convenience options on the seven-passenger minivan include remote keyless entry and Ford's Electronic Automatic Temperature Control system.

MOUNTAINEER

The four-door Mountaineer will have a V-8 engine and automatic transmission as part of its standard equipment. The newest Mercury product will go into production during the first half of 1996.



MARK VIII

The LSC (for Luxury Sport Coupe) becomes a full member of the sophisticated Lincoln Mark VIII line for 1996. The monochromatic LSC conveys a more nimble and quicker look. And appearances aren't deceiving: Its 4.6-liter DOHC InTech™ V-8 engine is rated at 290 horsepower, 10 more than the standard high-performance Mark VIII engine. Teamed with a revised axle ratio, the Mark VIII's V-8 gives substantially improved performance. The LSC will be available later in the model year.

LINCOLN CONTINENTAL

Four-door luxury sedan, which was completely redesigned for its introduction in January 1995, adds to its technological luster with a breakthrough in personal security—a system that uses global positioning satellites and cellular phone technology to signal for emergency aid, at the touch of one of two buttons on the overhead console. One button summons roadside assistance, the other calls for help in crime or medical emergencies.





FORD

Led by the stunning all-new Taurus, the latest version of America's best-selling car for the past three years, Ford Division and Ford dealers across the country enter the 1996 model year with a lineup of outstanding models.

With its trend-setting styling, spacious interior, high-performance engines, and customer-oriented new features, the 1996 Taurus is primed to match the sensational impact of the first Taurus 10 years ago. All 1996 Ford cars come with the peace of mind of 24-hour

Roadside Assistance, which delivers tow truck and in case of a flat tire, empty gas tank or other roadside problem. Ford cars also offer the safety of a standard dual air bag supplemental restraint system. And many 1996 models provide the customer convenience and savings, thanks to 100,000-mile engine tune-up intervals under normal driving conditions with routine fluid and filter changes.

MUSTANG

Features a freshened exterior with a modified grille treatment, new wheels and new taillamps. The Mustang GT

for 1996 is powered by Ford's 4.6-liter single-overhead-cam V-8 modular engine, rated at 215 horsepower. The limited-edition Mustang Cobra is powered by a double-overhead-cam variant of the 4.6-liter V-8 delivering 305 hp. The 3.8-liter engine in the V-6 Mustang has been improved to perform better and more quietly than the V-6 engine used in previous models. It turns out 150 hp. The GT and Cobra models feature Ford's all-new Passive Anti-Theft System.

CONTOUR

The five-passenger Ford Contour sedan enters its second year on the market with improvements that enhance its reputation for performance, handling and advanced technology. To increase the comfort of rear-seat passengers, the backs of the two front seats in the 1996 Contour have a scooped design, providing additional knee room. There are also five new colors. Offered in three series, Contour continues to be powered by a choice of two engines—the 170-horsepower, 2.5-liter, 24-valve DOHC Duratec V-6 or the 125-hp, 2.0-liter, 16-valve DOHC four-cylinder Zetec engine. Both engines are available in: state-of-the-art manual or automatic transmissions.

THUNDERBIRD

With styling enhancements to the front, sides and rear. With the elimination of the Super Coupe model, the focus is on the LX series, offered in a choice of two convenient "packages"—one keyed to the 3.8-liter V-6 engine, the other to the performance-oriented 4.6-liter V-8. And a new Sport Package

with 16-inch aluminum wheels and a sport-tuned suspension can be ordered for the V-8 version. Optional chrome wheels and a perimeter anti-theft alarm system also are new for 1996.

TAURUS

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Side-access-panel option for extended cab models; sport suspension option; sportside box option; V6 engine enhancements; OBD II across the board; five-speed transmission with 2.2-liter engine; brake/transmission shift interlock.

JIMMY

Highrider sport package for two-door; five-speed manual transmission; extensive engine improvements; integrated vehicle control module; brake/transmission shift inter lock; daytime running lamps; long-life engine coolant.

SAFARI

Completely refurbished interior with driver and passenger air bags; smaller engine cover to expand front leg and foot room; single two-sided key ignition and locking system; integral child safety seat option; under seat heat ducts for rear passengers; extensive engine enhancements; full compliance with OBD II requirements; enhanced seat belt warning system; long-life engine coolant.



YUKON

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SUBURBAN

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SIERRA

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SIERRA

SAVANA

Vehicle is completely reengineered with body-on-frame construction; name change from Rally/Vandura to Savana; major revisions to five available engines; driver and passenger air bags standard; air conditioning is standard equipment; two available trim levels plus recreational vehicle conversion package; two available wheelbases; sliding and swing-out side doors available; rear hinged doors open 180 degrees; long-life engine coolant; various interior configurations with up to five rows of seats for 15 passengers; four-wheel ABS is standard equipment.

BUICK

Buick features significant improvements in its premium compact Skylark and a more powerful supercharged engine in the luxurious Park Avenue Ultra and Riviera.

"For 1996, Buick continues to make its great cars even better," said Buick General Manager Edward H. Mertz. "Skylark is redesigned inside and out. Besides the additional power in the supercharged engine for Ultra and Riviera, there is also more power for LeSabre and Regal. And there are significant improvements throughout the Buick line."

SKYLARK

Buick's premium compact car, has a restyled exterior, an all-new interior, a smoother, quieter standard engine and a standard electronically controlled four-speed automatic transmission, which provides smooth, consistent shifting under a variety of driving conditions.

The exterior has a new front and rear treatment, with restyled grille, head-

lamps, parking lamps, fascia, hood and taillamps, plus revised side moldings.

The new interior includes a redesigned instrument panel, dual air bags (in place of a driver-only air bag for '95), comfortable new seats (including optional leather seats on Limited and Grand Sport) and revised door and trim panels. Skylarks feature Buick's new family of radios and new climate controls, which provide user-friendly controls and large, easy-to-read displays.

Skylark's new standard engine is a 150-horsepower 2.4-liter Twin Cam L4 that provides improved torque for better performance and smoother, quieter operation.

RIVIERA

Buick's flagship coupe, is an expressive blend of styling, performance, comfort and value. For 1996, Riviera offers an expanded range of features, including Personal Choice and the more powerful optional supercharged engine.

The new supercharged 3800 Series II V-6 delivers 240 horsepower at 5200 rpm, an increase from the previous version's 225 hp at 5000 rpm. It delivers



SKYLARK LTD COUPE

280 lb-ft of torque at 3200 rpm, up from 275 at 3200 rpm.

Riviera also features an upgraded instrument panel with real wood accents plus new climate controls and a radio which is part of Buick's new family of radios. Both use large, back-lit controls and easy-to-read graphics and displays. A dual-playback system, incorporating both a cassette deck and a CD player, is standard. Also standard are Concert Sound II speakers, a power antenna and steering-wheel-mounted radio and temperature controls.

and the PASS-Key II theft-deterrent system—continue as standard equipment. For 1996, ABS has been updated, providing a better pedal feel and improved brake system durability.

Both Custom and Limited feature the new magnetic variable-effort steering system with the Grand Touring package.

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LESABRE

Best-selling full-size car in the United States for the last three years, receives a number of improvements for 1996.

They include the 3800 Series II V-6, revised anti-lock brakes, Personal Choice features and other new convenience features.

Advanced safety features—including dual air bags, four-wheel anti-lock brakes



RIVIERA



LESABRE CUSTOM

BUICK CONT

Offers improved standard 3100 V-6 engine and now the 3800 Series II V-6 as an option. Other improvements include a new engine mount system that further reduces engine noise and vibration and standard ComforTemp dual air conditioning.

Buick's expressively styled premium midsize sedan and coupe continue to offer an impressive range of standard safety and security features, including dual air bags, four-wheel anti-lock brakes and a PASS-Key II theft-deterrent system.

The electronically controlled four-speed automatic transmission is standard on all Regals. Also standard are four-wheel independent suspension and four-wheel anti-lock disc brakes. Buick continues to equip the Regal with a full range of comfort and convenience features. Standard for 1996 are cruise control, power windows, automatic power door locks and an AM-FM cassette radio.

Regal's standard air conditioning is improved for 1996 with the addition of dual ComforTemp climate control, which allows the driver and front passenger to independently adjust the temperature in their area of the car.

CENTURY

Offers a smoother, more efficient optional V-6. New standard features include power windows and a rear window defogger. Century continues to offer anti-lock brakes and a driver air bag as standard equipment. Other standard features include air conditioning, automatic power door

locks, tinted glass and an adjustable steering column. The midsize 1996 Century is available as a four-door sedan or a four-door station wagon. The sedan is available in three models, Special, Custom and Limited.

ROADMASTER SEDAN AND ESTATE WAGON

Buick's full-size rear-wheel-drive models, receive several significant improvements for 1996.

Reliability and durability have been improved with the addition of an advanced on-board diagnostic system and long-life engine coolant. Interior comfort is enhanced by a new front seat storage armrest, updated rear shoulder belts and more durable carpeting.

Standard equipment on all Roadmaster sedans and Estate Wagons is extensive, including anti-lock brakes, dual air bags, air conditioning, power windows and automatic door locks.

PARK AVENUE ULTRA AND PARK AVENUE

Buick's flagship luxury sedans, have such new features as Personal Choice and, for Ultra, the new supercharged V-6.

The new supercharged 3800 Series II V-6 is standard on Ultra. Standard on Park Avenue is the naturally aspirated 3800 Series II.

The electronically controlled four-speed automatic transmission is standard on all Park Avenues.

Newly standard on Park Avenue Ultra, and optional on Park Avenue, is magnetic variable-effort power steering.



CHRYSLER

SEBRING LX, LXi CONVERTIBLE

The Sebring JX and JXi Convertible are expected to set the industry standard in style, interior room, safety and value. The Sebring Convertible, combines the fun of open-air driving with the interior space and convenience required by many one-vehicle owners.

SEBRING LX, LXi COUPE

The recently introduced Chrysler Sebring creates a new class of coupe by seating four adults in comfort while retaining a sport demeanor desired by buyers in this segment.

CIRRUS LX, LXi SEDAN

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CONCORDE LX, LXi SEDAN

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TOWN & COUNTRY, LX AND LXi MINIVANS

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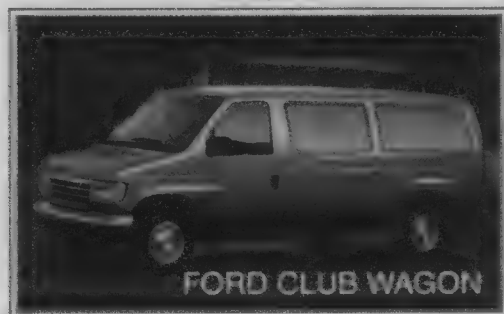
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With its trend-setting styling, spacious interior, high-performance engines, and customer-oriented new features, the 1996 Taurus is primed to match the sensational impact of the first Taurus 10 years ago. All 1996 Ford cars come with the peace of mind of 24-hour

Roadside Assistance, which delivers tow truck and in case of a flat tire, empty gas tank or other roadside problem. Ford cars also offer the safety of a standard dual air bag supplemental restraint system. And many 1996 models provide the customer convenience and savings, thanks to 100,000-mile engine tune-up intervals under normal driving conditions with routine fluid and filter changes.

MUSTANG

Features a freshened exterior with a modified grille treatment, new wheels and new taillamps. The Mustang GT

for 1996 is powered by Ford's 4.6-liter single-overhead-cam V-8 modular engine, rated at 215 horsepower. The limited-edition Mustang Cobra is powered by a double-overhead-cam variant of the 4.6-liter V-8 delivering 305 hp. The 3.8-liter engine in the V-6 Mustang has been improved to perform better and more quietly than the V-6 engine used in previous models. It turns out 150 hp. The GT and Cobra models feature Ford's all-new Passive Anti-Theft System.

CONTOUR

The five-passenger Ford Contour sedan enters its second year on the market with improvements that enhance its reputation for performance, handling and advanced technology. To increase the comfort of rear-seat passengers, the backs of the two front seats in the 1996 Contour have a scooped design, providing additional knee room. There are also five new colors. Offered in three series, Contour continues to be powered by a choice of two engines—the 170-horsepower, 2.5-liter, 24-valve DOHC Duratec V-6 or the 125-hp, 2.0-liter, 16-valve DOHC four-cylinder Zetec engine. Both engines are available in: state-of-the-art manual or automatic transmissions.

THUNDERBIRD

With styling enhancements to the front, sides and rear. With the elimination of the Super Coupe model, the focus is on the LX series, offered in a choice of two convenient "packages"—one keyed to the 3.8-liter V-6 engine, the other to the performance-oriented 4.6-liter V-8. And a new Sport Package

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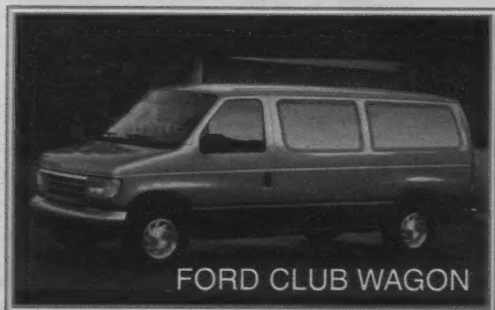
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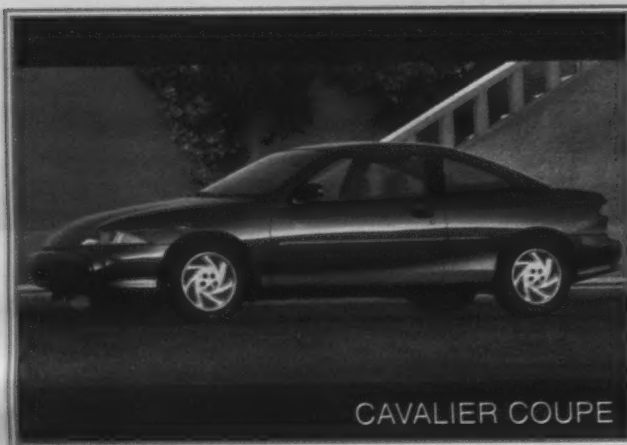
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CAVALIER

Offers more than ever with features like the new 2.4 Liter "Twin-Cam" SFI engine, standard in Z24 Coupe, and available in LS Sedan and Convertible. Inside, Cavalier boasts a spacious interior. Standard safety features include standard dual air bags, new Daytime Running Lamps and a four-wheel anti-lock brake system. Handling is impressive, thanks to a "progressive ride" suspension system and a torque-axis mounting system, which minimizes engine vibration. All in all, the Cavalier for 1996 is stylish affordable and a terrific value.



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LUMINA

Well-equipped sedan built to impressive standards, and is affordably priced. A value leader in the mid-size segment, Lumina features include a powerful 3100 V6 engine and more interior room than any Toyota Camry or Honda Accord sedan. Dual air bags, PASS-Key II theft-deterrent system, air conditioning and power door locks are all included on Lumina as standard equipment. And Lumina options include such features as dual-

zone temperature controls and steering wheel mounted radio controls which are usually found on more expensive vehicles.

IMPALA SS

This full-size Chevy is for those who like plenty of sass and skedaddle with their motoring. It packs a Corvette-inspired LT1 V8 engine with 260 eager horses. The look is mean and clean, with body-color grille, black taillight moldings and body-color wheel opening moldings, door handles and rocker moldings.

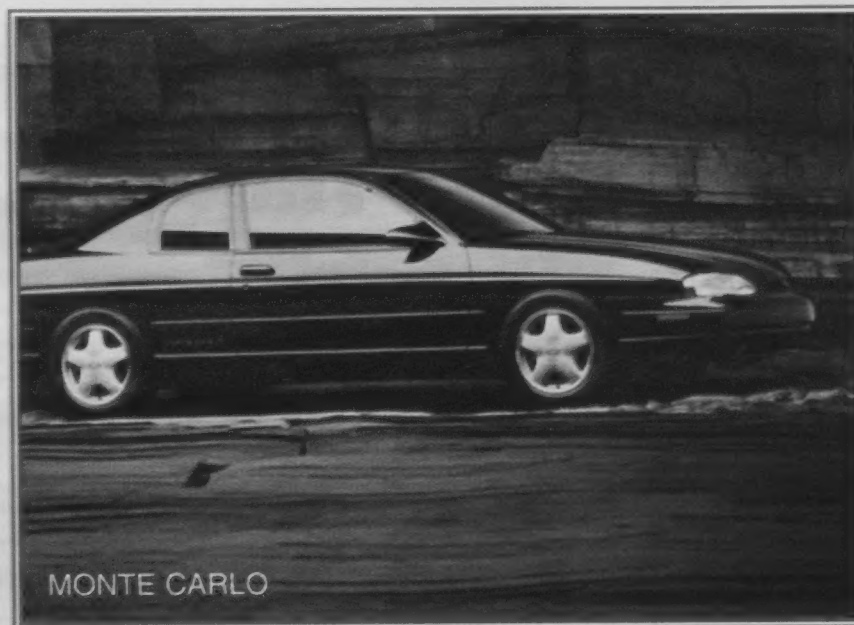
MONTE CARLO

Interior designed to deliver comfort levels one would expect in more expensive coupes. New for 1996 are radio controls on the steering wheel, standard on Z34, optional on LS. Monte Carlo is ideal for drivers who want luxury and performance at a modest price. The performance-oriented Monte Carlo Z34 will have strong appeal to male buyers who will appreciate the refinements and additional performance of Z34's 3.4

Liter DOHC V6. Monte Carlo protects its driver and passengers with a comprehensive safety package, including ABS, new four-wheel disc brakes, front and rear crush zones, dual air bags and more—all at an affordable price.

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